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STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

The British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship ASIA, 1,879 Tons, 250 H.P., Commander D. McCallum, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 18th July, at noon.

	July.		Augt.
Leave BOMBAY	18	Leave Madras	1
„ Carwar	20	„ Coconada	3
„ Narrakel	22	„ Vizagapatam	4
„ Alleppy	23	„ Bimlipatam	9-10
„ Tuticorin	24	„ Gopaulpore	5
„ Colombo	25	„ Palse Point	6
„ Galle	26	Arrive CALCUTTA	8
„ Negapatam	29		
„ Pondicherry	30		

During the S. W. Monsoon, viz., from the beginning of June to the end of August, the Steamers do not communicate with the ports of Mangalore, Cannanore, Calicut and Cochin, but passengers for the Neilgherries may be landed at Narrakel, six miles north of Cochin, from whence they may proceed by back water to stations on the Madras Railway.

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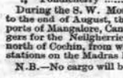

The British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at Kurrachee, Guadur, Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Lingah, Bushire, Fao, Mahomerah, and Bussorah.

The Steam Ship Cashmere, 1,098 tons, 200 H. P., Commander J. Ayers, will be despatched on Saturday, the 22nd July, 1871, at noon.

	July.		Aug.
Leaves BOMBAY	22	Leave BUSSORAH	11
„ Kurrachee	26	„ Fao	13
„ Guadur	27	„ Bushire	14
„ Muscat	29	„ Lingah	17
„ Bunder Abbas	31	„ Bunder Abbas	18
	Aug.		
„ Lingah	2	„ Muscat	20
„ Bushire	4	„ Guadur	22
„ Fao	6	„ Kurrachee	26
Arrive BUSSORAH	7	Arrive BOMBAY	29

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

The British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, in connection with the weekly service from England, despatch a steamer to Kurrachee every SATURDAY, at noon.

The Steam-ship KURRACHEE, 510 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander A. Cottier, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 15th July 1871, at noon.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

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on the 24th,		on the 1st
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To Aden	£22	.....		..... £4
Suez	36	 22		 8
Port Said	38	 24		 9
Alexandria	39	 25	Including Victuals.	 9-10
Messina	45	 32		 12
Naples	47	 33		 13
Leghorn	50	 34		 14
Genoa	50	 34	Without Food.	 14
Marseilles (transhipment at Genoa)...	52	 35		14-10

Children under 3 years, free of charge.
Children not above 10 years, half fare.
Next Steamers from Bombay,
INDIA, on TUESDAY, 1st AUGUST, 1871.
ARABIA, on FRIDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER, 1871.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

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N.B.—The Trade supplied at moderate rates.

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THE Proprietor of the "Bombay Gazette" begs to inform parties having business (among other privileges) from the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company, and the Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Company, the exclusive right of advertising at all the Railway Stations belonging to these two Companies is prepared to contract with parties desirous of posting Notices or Advertisements on the lines.

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Terms of Advertising may be had on application to the Manager "Bombay Gazette" Press.

Bombay "Gazette" Press, 1871.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND ROUTE.

On Tuesday, the 18th July, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s S. S. SURAT (2,578 tons, and 400 H.P.) Captain E. J. Baker, will LEAVE for SUEZ as above, carrying H.M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Brindisi, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Trieste, Venice, Odessa Genoa, Naples, and Havre, Liverpool or London.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon before 10 A.M. on the day of the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

REDUCTION OF FARES.

The Rates of Passage Money have been reduced as follows :—

To BRINDISI	First Class Rs. 600	Second Class Rs. 300
To SOUTHAMPTON.	„ „ 850	„ „ 350

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G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

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THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. TANJORE, (1,071 tons, and 400 H.P.), Captain A. H. Johnson, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 19th July, leaving Mazagon at noon on that day, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras, Calcutta, and Australia.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's office before 11 A.M. on Tuesday, the 18th instant.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

SALES BY AUCTION.

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No. 5, Forbes Street.

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On SATURDAY, the 15th instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the above-mentioned place, the Building Materials, &c., such as Teak Rafters, Dealwood Planks, Scantling Boards, Wrought Iron Bars, Grinding Stones, English Spades, Flooring Dogs, English Clay Pipes and Junctions, new and Old Manilla Ropes, a large quantity of tin packing cases, and sundry other articles.

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CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,
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SALE OF LANDED PROPERTY.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, the 13th instant, at 4 P.M. on the premises, Messrs. Crawford and Co. will sell by public auction on account of Cowarbai, widow of Cowrjee Muncherjee Madon, the mortgagor, all that piece of ground, with the dwelling-house standing thereon, situate in an cart called Dhussawady or called Waka Molla, admeasuring 143 square yards, assessed under No. 41 and by the Collector of Pension and Tax under No. 2647, bounded on the east by a passage belonging to premises hereby conveyed, on the west by the premises of Baloo Meya Pathan called Cheeryacha Bazar, on the north by the house of Cawasjee Rustomjee, and on the south by a chunam wall dividing the house of Hormusjee Eduljee from the premises hereby conveyed.

SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT MAHIM.

On WEDNESDAY, the 19th day of July 1871, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, on the ground comprised in the respective lots, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by public auction by order of Goolba Tarra, Nabha Oka, Ujba Khoobahil and Petha Dewa, the mortgagees of the property, on account of Bai Bapoo, Raghoonath Ramchunder, and Muthoorabai, wife of Bhaoo Annunda Pay, and the representative of Sadanund Gunput Bhandaree, the following landed property :—

Lot No. I.

All that piece of ground or cart called Mallawdy, situate at Mahim wood without the Fort, in the island of Bombay, in the sub-district of Mazagon and fronting the public road or called the Augyer Road, on the west side thereof admeasuring seven thousand two hundred and seventy-nine square yards or thereabouts, and which said ground is registered by the Collector of land revenue for pension and tax under No. 844, bounded on the east partly by the cart of Bhagoo Rheema and partly by the cart of Somonjee Framjee, on the west by the Augyer Road, on the north by a public passage and on the south by the cart called Mud cootee belonging to Bomanjee Framjee together with the well, wheels, cocoanut and other trees and plantations thereon.

Lot No. II

All that piece of ground or cart called Koricha Bhat, situate at Mahim wood without the Fort in the island of Bombay, in the sub-district of Mazagon and fronting the public road on the west side thereof admeasuring eight thousand a quare yards or thereabouts, and which said ground is registered by the Collector of land revenue for pension and tax under No. 643, bounded on the east by the batty fields, on the west by the public road, on the north by a passage servestle, lying between the east and the cart of Francisco de Cruze, and on the south by the cart of Rangojee Prabhoo, together with the well, wheels, cocoanut and other trees and plantations thereon.

MACFARLANE & SKIPSEY,
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Immediately after the above Sale the Lots called Mallowady adjoining the Lot No. 1, will be put up for Sale.

CRAWFORD & Co.

Bombay, 13th July 1871.

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To be registered under "The Indian Companies' Act 1866."

Capital 40 Lacs, in 4,000 Shares of Rs. 1,000 each.
First Issue 30 Lacs, in 3,000 Shares of Rs. 1,000 each.
Deposit on application Rs. 100 per share, and Rs. 400 on allotment, the balance of Rs. 500 per share to be payable on the 30th December next.

Second issue of 10 Lacs, in 1,000 shares of Rs. 1,000 each, will be issued, when required for extension of property, and will be first offered to the then existing proprietors.

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MESSRS. REMINGTON, HORE, and LANGLEY.

Secretaries and Treasurers.
SIR CHARLES FORBES and Co.

It is proposed to establish this Company for the purpose of supplying a want long felt in this important city, that is, a Pier alongside which vessels of almost any tonnage may lie afloat and discharge at all times of the tide.

During 1856 and 1857 numerous proposals for Wet Docks and Pier Schemes were submitted to the public, but they were generally of such an ambitious and gigantic character as to be considered in advance of the times, and consequently the resources for carrying any of the schemes into effect were not obtainable, or they were for other reasons abandoned. Subsequently plans for similar works, but of a less expensive and simple nature, were brought forward to be received with apathy, and nothing came of them except a general discussion on the comparative advantages of Wet Docks and Piers, the result being a balance of skilled testimony conclusively showing that Piers, both from an economical and sanatory point of view, were preferable in a tropical climate to Wet Docks. At a more recent period, that is, when Bombay was revelling in the riches derived from the adventitious trade which followed the breaking out of Civil War in America, numerous schemes were planned and vast amounts spent thereon, all of which, with one or two exceptions, have miserably failed in their intended purpose, and Bombay is therefore to this day without Docks or Piers.

If the want of accommodation for the Export and Import trade of this Port was felt so keenly at the periods above referred to, it must be admitted that the increase since of that trade now renders it more than ever desirable that Bombay should not be behind any Port in the East, many of which, although of much less importance, have either Docks or Piers, in the facilities available for the loading and discharging of vessels, and the shipping, landing, and storing of merchandize.

In order that the increase of our trade may be appreciated, the statistics of tonnage taken from Official returns are subjoined :—

	Entered. Ships.	Tons.	Cleared. Ships.	Tons.
1856-57	568	441,978	536	387,291
1869-70	930	793,287	938	791,011
Increase	362	351,289	402	403,620

And a comparison of even more recent years shows the same steady increase :—

	Entered. Ships.	Tons.	Cleared. Ships.	Tons.
1865-66	759	589,327	704	628,423
1869-70	930	793,267	938	791,011
Increase.....	171	203,940	154	162,588

The value of Exports for the Financial Year 1869-70, including Treasure, were Rs. 26,36,80,998, and in the Imports Rs. 21,92,97,065.

The Exports for the year ending 31st December last comprised 10,55,335 bales Cotton, 40,503 bales Wool, 131,000 bags Seed, 43,753 chests Opium, 10,000 bales Hemp, 25,607 bags Myrabolams, and 4,419 cwts. Ivory, besides a large quantity of miscellaneous produce.

The completion of the Suez Canal, the opening up of railways throughout the country, and the establishment of telegraphic communication both with East and West, have given a new and powerful stimulus to Indian trade, the effects of which must be a further and growing increase in the commercial interests of this Port. In steam tonnage alone the increase is already great, and when it is considered that the chief shipbuilders of the United Kingdom are turning out every three months over 250,000 tons of shipping suitable for trade via the Canal, the necessity for such a Pier as contemplated is apparent. During 1870, the opening year of the Canal trade, the steam tonnage inwards and outwards, exclusive of the Peninsular and Oriental Company's Ships, was 76,0.0 and 70,000 tons respectively. The exports via the Canal and by Steamer and Overland for 1870 were 4,33,332 bales Cotton, 19,293 bales Wool, and 1,95,188 packages of miscellaneous produce. The exports by steamers to China in 1870 were 41,000 chests Opium, 43,753 bales Cotton, and 9,000 bales Hemp, and there is, therefore, beyond a doubt that a large proportion if not the whole of this tonnage, as well as vessels with general cargoes, will have recourse to the Pier which is at once its advantage for opening out the trade. The position of the Pier being contiguous to the Principal Cotton Presses, the Cotton Green, and the Goods Stations of the Railways, and the Docks, and Oriental Company's wharf with which Railway a junction at small cost can be obtained, thus opening communication with the Great Indian Peninsula Railway also—will further be not hitherto enjoyed for the shipment of Cotton and the landing of merchandize, whether destined for Bombay or up-country. With attention paid in the districts, the railway waggons will go alongside ship, and thus save cartage altogether.

The important and valuable concession to construct this Pier, granted by the Government of Bombay, has been secured for this Company from Messrs. David Sassoon and Company, the consideration being Twenty-four hundred Shares of the Company, which the Company fully paid up. For this consideration the landed property lately purchased by Messrs. David Sassoon & Co. from the Bombay Reclamation Company will be conveyed at once over the transfer to Messrs. David Sassoon & Co., with all rights involved in the concession, will be conveyed to the Company. The concession is in the following terms :—

Bombay Castle, 4th April 1871.

Resolution.—Government are willing to grant to Messrs. David Sassoon & Co. a concession to erect a Pier on the plan now submitted, and embracing the accommodation therein exhibited extending into deep water, from the property recently purchased by Messrs. David Sassoon & Co., from the late Back Bay Company, on the following general terms :—

1. The right of Messrs. David Sassoon & Co., under the lease on which they now hold the property at Colaba, not to be affected.
2. The concession to be carried out by a Public Company.
3. The Company by whom the Pier may be constructed to be entitled to charge for the accommodation to afford on the Pier, at rates which shall be subject to the approval of Government.
4. The Company to be bound to levy and pay over to Government such wharfage or bunder fees on all goods landed or shipped on any part of the Pier, and on all goods payable by the owner of land or shipped on any wharf or bunder, the property of Government, under Act V. of 1870.
5. The plan now submitted shall not be varied as regards site, or extent of accommodation, without the sanction of Government.
6. The concession now granted will have effect for 100 years.
7. Government to have the right of pre-emption at the end of 25 years from the date of the completion of the concession, and at the expiration of each succeeding 25 years, until the expiration of the term for which it is granted, for a sum calculated at 20 years' purchase on the average net amount found to be available for dividend, after providing for all charges of maintenance, establishment, and repairs by two Arbitrators, one of whom shall be appointed by Government and the other by the Company. The Arbitrators, so appointed, shall have power to nominate an Umpire, whose decision shall be final. The Company to be bound on the purchase being completed, to allow free access to the Pier.
8. All details as regards the concession will be arranged in communication with the Law Officers : the above are only to be understood to be the general terms on which it will be granted.

The Pier, which will be 33 feet wide, will project 2,200 feet from the eastern boundary of the land property, and in a line with its southern wall. At nearly right angles to this Pier and under the shelter of the Oyster Rock there will be a jetty 650 feet in length and 50 feet in width, alongside which vessels will lie. The depth of water at low water spring tides at the Jetty will average from 19 to 22 feet, with a mud bottom. The Jetty will accommodate three vessels on each side in single tier. The Pier will be of Iron, of a most permanent character, on cylinder piles, and its estimated cost, including erections, is 15 lacs.

The importance of this Pier to the trade of the Port cannot be over-estimated. Indeed it is almost impossible to form an idea of the trade that may be expected when the work is completed. For ships with general cargoes the advantages offered will be unequalled, as the discharge of such vessels, which now on the average occupies a month, may be completed in a much shorter time. Steamers also will find it to their advantage to avail themselves of the Pier where discharging and loading may be effected in a few days. Pilfering also, which, under the present system, forms a serious item of loss, will be altogether avoided.

The Landed property sold to the Company will consist of 76,893 square yards fully reclaimed, and 31,432 square yards partly reclaimed. The cost of completing reclamation and seawalls is estimated at about 2 lacs, which added to the consideration agreed to be given for the property, 12 lacs, will amount to 14 lacs. The area of the property will thus be 76,000 square yards, costing about Rs. 18 per square yard against Rs. 70 per square yard, of the adjoining land belonging to the Colaba Company. When the valuable concession accorded to the property is taken into consideration, it will be admitted that the property has been acquired on favourable terms. In some quarters an idea has been current that the Colaba Company's interests would be injured by the concession which the Company will acquire. Such fears are groundless, because whatever improves the value of the Company's property will contribute also to the welfare of adjoining ground.

Of the superficial area of 76,893 square yards, about 15,000 square yards will be required for roads and tramways, leaving 61,000 square yards available for storage, which at the moderate estimated rental of Rs. 4 per square yard, the average rate of the Elphinstone Buildings, will yield gross Rs. 2,44,360 per annum.

As regards the revenue to be derived from the Pier it may be comparatively safely assumed that a third of the tonnage frequenting the Port will discharge and load alongside the Pier. At the lowest charge of 4 annas per ton per day and bearing in mind that accommodation will always be available for 6,000 tons of shipping, except during the monsoon, the fees to be derived from vessels will, it is estimated, amount to Rs. 1,80,000. When it is considered that the Portage bill monthly of an average sized ship is about £150, a saving of three weeks in discharge is an important element in the net earnings of the ship. The fees on a ship of 1,000 tons would amount to Rs. 750, assuming that she is discharged in a week, but by this expenditure £22 is saved of the Portage bill £75. This economy is certainly worth consideration. Further, and to enter more into detail, there were during 1870, in general cargoes, the following packages landed, which could have been much more conveniently landed at a Pier than in boats :—

	Packages.
Manchester and Fancy Goods and Yarns.....	195,000
Galvanized Iron, Copper, Yellow Metal and Miscellaneous Imports	140,000
Beer and Spirits in Casks, Cases, &c	40,000
	375,000

Taking these at an average rate of 8 annas each, the revenue therefrom would be Rs. 1,87,500. But assuming that only one-half of these packages are landed at the Pier, there would then remain Rs 93,750. In the above statement Copper Tiles, Nails, Ingots, Spelter, Lead, Steel, Quicksilver, Coals, Coke and many other articles of import have been excluded. Again, of the export of Cotton it may be reasonably calculated upon that above 40,000 bales will be shipped from the Pier. Take these at the moderate charge of 2 annas per bale, there will remain Rs. 59,000. This is somewhat less than the present charges for export and boat hire, and besides risk of craft and damage to Cotton will be avoided. There will also be charges on Wool, Opium and miscellaneous exports, which may be estimated at Rs. 40,000.

Independent of the above revenues, there will also be a considerable income from oranage fees, supply of water, fees on passengers, baggage, conveyances, and animals and shed accommodation.

The aggregate estimated revenue will thus be—

From Land as above.....	Rs. 2,44,360
„ Fees on Tonnage	„ 1,80,000
„ „ on Packages Inwards	„ 93,750
„ „ on Cotton	„ 50,000
„ „ on Wool, Opium, and Miscellaneous.	„ 40,000
	Rs. 6,08,110

which after deduction of working expenses, and a fair sum annually for depreciation, will leave an excellent return on the Capital invested. The passive indifference to improvement, which unfortunately is too prevalent, may for a time operate against the above result being obtained, but when the advantages of the Pier are apparent, self-interest alone will overcome indifference, and the vested rights of Mucaddums in an antiquated system will give way before what is more in consequence with the progress of the age.

Besides the above, there are several legitimate sources of revenue, which may be available. These are, among others, the landing and embarking of troops, and baggage for transports, and the landing and shipment of mails, from which a fair return may be expected, as the expense thus saved to the Government will not be inconsiderable.

The First Issue of Capital, 30 lacs, will, it is estimated, be sufficient for acquisition of Property, and the reclamation and construction of Pier.

The Reserve Issue of 10 lacs is intended for the erection of an increased number of Jetties as well as increasing the area of the property, and for the erection of such Warehouses as circumstances may render necessary.

The particular part of the foreshore from which the Pier will project is, as regards bottom and in all other respects, superior to any other part of the Harbour as ascertained by borings and survey carefully made by the Company's Engineer, A. W. Forde, Esq., C.E., as well as by repeated surveys of the Government officers.

Applications for shares, of which out of the 3,000 only about 1,500 remain to be allotted, addressed to the Directors, may be made to Sir Charles Forbes & Co., but no application will be considered unless a deposit of Rs. 100 for each share applied for shall have been previously made with the Bankers of the Company. Should a smaller number of shares than that applied for be allotted, the balance of the sum deposited with the Bankers will be appropriated towards the sum due on allotment in terms of this Prospectus, or in the event of no allotment being made, the whole of the Deposit will be returned.

Prospectuses and Forms of Application for Shares may be had at the Office of the Company, No. 1, Rampart Row Bombay.

EAST INDIA PRESS COMPANY (Limited).

—NOTICE is hereby given, that the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of this COMPANY will be HELD at the Office, in Rampart Row, on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd of August 1871, at 3 P.M., for the following purposes :—

1—To pass the Directors' Report and Balance Sheet made up to 30th June 1871.
2—To declare a Dividend.
3—To appoint a Director in the place of Mr. Narronjee Mooljee, who retires by rotation, but is eligible for re-election.
4—To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.

By order of the Directors,
A. C. BRICE & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 13th July 1871.

N.B.—The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company are CLOSED from THIS DAY to the 3rd AUGUST, inclusive.

SHERIFF'S PROCLAMATION.—HIGH COURT.—Suit No. 229 of 1869.

The COMMERCIAL BANK CORPORATION of INDIA and the EAST, a Joint Stock Banking Company incorporated by Royal Charter, and lately carrying on business in Bombay, but now in course of liquidation by virtue of an Order in that behalf of the High Court of Chancery in England .....Plaintiffs.

vs.

BULWANTRAO BHICCAJEE DOWLEY, Hindoo Inhabitant, residing at Poona ..... Defendant.

It is hereby proclaimed and notified, that on TUESDAY, the 15th day of AUGUST next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon under and by virtue of a Warrant for Sale of Immoveable Property, issued on the 10th day of January last, in the above Suit, will be put up for SALE by PUBLIC AUCTION, in the Office of the Sheriff of Bombay, the undermentioned IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY of the above-named Defendant :—

All that piece of land, together with the messuage or tenement standing thereon, situate at and on the east side of Moombadavee Tank Road, in the Sub-district of Bhoolesh wur, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 8, and bounded on the east by Jeevonram Juggonath's chawl on the west by the Moombadavee Tank Road, on the north by Bhimjee Moolje's chawl, and on the south by the property of Jadowjee Cumnulsey, towards the satisfaction of the sum of Rs. 15,000 for debt, and the sum of Rs. 47-6-6 for costs, which said debt and costs amount in the whole to the sum of Rs. 15,47-6-6, and interest upon the amount of said judgment at the rate of six per cent per annum from the date of the said Decree until payment.

The Sale will extend only to the right, title and interest of the said Defendant in the above specified property.

25 per cent. deposit money to be paid at the time of sale.

For further information apply at the Office of the Sheriff of Bombay.

BHAU DAJI,
Sheriff of Bombay.

Bombay, Sheriff's Office, 11th July, 1871.
Messrs. ACLAND, PRENTIS, & BISHOP,
Plaint ffs' Attorneys.

MR. JAMES DICKSON has THIS DAY been AUTHORISED to SIGN our FIRM per procuration.

EDWARD BATES & Co.,
By their Attorneys, RITCHIE, STEUART, & Co.

Bombay, 12th July 1871.

BUCHANAN & Co.,
HOUSE AGENTS,
17, CHURCH STREET, BOMBAY.

CAUTION.—To Ship Chandlers, Oil, Paint, Colour and Varnish Dealers, Painters, Coach Builders, &c.—Whereas it has been discovered that OILS, PAINT, COLORS and VARNISHES are being openly sold and exposed for sale in the Bazaars of Bombay with forged imitations of the Celebrated Brass Seal and Label Mark of BLUNDELL, SPENCE & Co. of HULL & LONDON, in England, and that their Liver Duffy Paint Kegs are Refilled with spurious and worthless Oils, and so exposed and sold with intent to deceive and prejudice their name and reputation, NOTICE is hereby given, that any person dealing in, selling, or exposing for sale, or any persons buying such goods, or any persons manufacturing or making imitations of their trade mark, labels, or engravers made use of in connection therewith, will be forthwith prosecuted according to law.

BLUNDELL, SPENCE & Co, London.

Bombay, 10th June 1871.

RS. 200 REWARD.—To PRINTERS, ENGRAVERS, and DYE STAMPERS.—Whereas certain persons unknown have been and are now engaged in the manufacture of the Labels, Trade Mark (a Cross in a Garter with three Crowns on the lower), and a Dagger on the upper quarters) and Brass Stamps with the name BLUNDELL, SPENCE and Co., Hull and London, WE hereby OFFER the above REWARD to any person or persons who will give such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of such Offenders.

Address by letter to Mr. H. D. FISHER, care of Oriental Bank.

Bombay, 26th June 1871.

MEERSCHAUM PIPES,
PLAIN AND SILVER MOUNTED,
From Rs. 2 to Rs. 175.

THE NEW
CHARCOAL PIPES,
With cherry stem and horn, or goose-bone, mouth-piece,
Cash Rs. 1 ; Credit Rs. 1-2.

BRIAR ROOT PIPES,
With horn or amber mouth-pieces,
From Ans. 12 to Rs. 20.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHARE MARKET.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

MARKET dull and declining for Spinning and Press shares. Government Paper steady.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

Number of Shares.	Nomi. value perSh.	Paid up.	Last divi-dend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
10,000	100	all	4 p.ct	Agra Bank	100 par
22,000	1,000	all	5 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,400 nl.
10,000	500	all	5 p.ct.	Ditto of Bombay New	643½
1,200	500	10	5 do.	Ditto 2nd Res. Issue	193½
15,000	1,000	all	7 p.ct.	Ditto of Madras	1,400
1,000	250	all	4 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. & China	270
40,000	275	all	10 p.ct	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	360 nl.
40,000	200	all	nil	Chartered Bk. of L. & C.	150
37,000	250	12½	nil	National Bank of India	103
10,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	500

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

...	£20	18.5.1	p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	245
...	£20	19.2.1	do.	Do. New £20 shares	126
...	£2	15.10.2	do.	Do.	...
...	£100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1,100
...	£10	19.5.1	do.	Do. New Shares	725

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	Rs 70	Colaba Land Co	1,695
8,000	150	all	...	Freo Land & Fmg Co. Ltd	150
750	2,000	2,000	Nil	Mazagon Land	935
4,000	2,000	1,450	Nil	Fort Canning	260

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

400	2,000	1,700	50	Albert Mills Co	1,550
600	2,500	all	200	Alliance Spinning	2,715
100	5,000	all	...	Bombay	2,800
900	1,000	all	45	Bombay United	960
1500	100	150	...	Broach Mills	280
750	2,000	all	...	Dhurumsey Spinning	2,020
750	2,000	all	75	p.c. Great Eastern	2,100
2,500	1,000	all	140	p.c. Manockji Petit's	1,430
800	2,500	all	350	p.c. Oriental	2,615
800	2,500	2,400	...	Royal	2,260

*Per share for the half-year.

PRESS COMPANIES.

150	6,000	2,850	225	p.c. Akbar Cotton Press Co.	2,200
201	2,707	1,110	75	p.c. Allen & Co. Kurrachee	980
250	3,500	550	Nil	Alexandra Press Co	440
150	12,000	11,000	2000	Apollo Press Co	7,750
200	2,000	1,250	60	Bombay Press Co	2,295
200	500	all	60	do. New	603
309	1,850	all	Nil.	Colaba Press Co	6,500
350	4,000	all	...	East India Press Co	3,500
154	2,500	all	300	Fort Press Co	10,550
304	2,000	1,800	...	Framji Cowasji Press	1,035
220	5,000	4,000	Nil.	Hydraulic Press Co	2,000
250	2,000	1,467	75	p.c. Imperial Press Co	1,175
300	5,000	2,000	0	p.c. Kurrachee Press Co	1,150
2,000	400	25	35	p.c. Motor Press & Co	960
125	2,500	all	350	Prince of Wales Press	2,8 0
225	2,000	1,00	Nil.	Victoria Press, Madras	900
150	2,000	all	Nil.	Timevelly Press Co	1,000
400	1,500	...	...	Carwar Company	810

MISCELLANEOUS.

...	2,500	1,500	75	p.c.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation
50,000	50	all	4½	p.ct.	Bombay Gas Company
1,000	50	all	5	p.c.	Mechanics Pfd'gs Co
500	2,000	300	21	p.c.	Kurrachee Landing and Shipping Company
2,000	500	all	40	ps	Trencher & Co
25,000	250	all	6	p.c.	Vegas Patent Slip Co

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

		Date of L'dation.		
500	85	Jan. '66	Bank of Bombay	20
30	10	...	Do. China	1
250	2	Mar. '66	Central Bank	1
...	...	...	East India Bank	1
250	12	Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula	1
200	70	May '	Royal Bank	2

COMPANIES IN LIQUIDATION.

...	5,200	2,375	Nov. '66	Back Bay Co. 32

EXCHANGE.

On	Terms.	Rate.
London	At sight	1s. 10⅞d.
London Banks	6 months' sight	1s. 11¼d.
Do. Credits	6 Do.	1s. 11⅛d.
Do Documents	6 Do.	1s. 11⅛d.
Calcutta	At sight	100
Do.	30 days' sight	100 Par
Do.	60 days' sight	99½
Madras	At sight	100
Do.	30 days' sight	100
China	60 Do. do	226

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns, each	Rs.	10-11
Bank of England Notes	"	10-12
Carolus	"	220
Mexican Dollars	"	202
Five-Franc Pieces	"	111
Bar Silver	"	13-6
Gold Leaf	"	17-2
Bar Gold 10 oz. English	"	17-2
Australian Gold	"	

CALCUTTA.—8TH JULY, 1871.

THE following transactions were reported :—

In Government Securities—

4 per cents, small amounts, at Rs. 99-2, 99-6, or 0-14 and 0-10 discount.

5½ per cents, heavy amount at Rs. 113-8.

—*Englishman.*

MILITARY.

ARRIVAL.—JULY 12.

McDonald, Ensign, 76th Regiment, on medical certificate, from Secundrabad.

DEPARTURES.—JULY 12.

Thomhill, Captain, Royal Artillery, on leave, to Poona.

Ferguson, Lieutenant, officiating Paymaster, Lesbiree Depot, to Deolalee.

SHIPPING.

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT—12TH JULY.

London	Cotton, Cases, Seeds	No ship loading.
Liverpool	Iron Ships Cotton £2 0s. 0d. to £2 2s. 0d.; Wooden Ships ,, £2 0s. 0d. to £2 2s. 0d.; Mynsolne & Corn bills £1 5s. 0d.; Seeds £1 12s. 6d. to £1 15s. 0d.	
Havre	Cotton, Coffee	£2 17s. 6d. to £3 0s. 0d.
Overland	Steamers	£3 10s. 0d. to £3 15s. 0d.
Liverpool via Suez Canal		No steamer.
China	Steamer Cotton Rs. 2 to 10 per bale. Opium Rs. 2½ to 30 per chest. Sailing Ships Rs. 6 per bale	
Calcutta	Sail	Rs. 3 0 0 to 4 0 0 per ton
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 16 and Calcutta Port charges.
Mauritius		8 annas to 10 p. bag nominal.

ARRIVAL.

July	Vessel.	Commander.	From
12	Defiance	Angel	Dundee, April 14.

DEPARTURE.

July	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
12	City of Canton	Reddie	London via Colombo.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday :—

Ship Haddon Hall, Faithfull, to Calcutta.

Ship Peruvian Congress, Stockton, to Akyab.

Ship Royal George, Hamilton, to Calcutta.

The steamer Apis, to Trieste, &c., began to load yesterday.

THE HOOGHLY.

ARRIVALS.

July 8 Mahratta (s) ..... Lay ..... Monmein, July 1.
Waterloo ..... Holland ..... Mauritius, June 4.
Eliz. A Kenney ..... Kenney ..... Liverpool, March 29.

DEPARTURES.

July 8 Punjab (s) ....
Patrician ....

MADRAS.

ARRIVAL.

July 8 Meinam (F S) .... Galle.

DEPARTURE.

July 8 Meinam (F S) .... Calcutta.

Passengers arrived per F S Meinam—From Galle to Madras—Messrs Manthey, Zoun and Gambert, Mr and Mrs Montbrun, Mr Got. and 15 natives.

DAILY IMPORTS.—12TH JULY.

FROM LONDON.

Cashmerere s, 2 cases books, Geo W Wheatley & Co; 4 cases sherry, 1 case claret, 1 case champagne, and 1 case moselle, &c, Henry Rogers; 10 boxes hock and 10 boxes moselle, J Ezuljee Sons; 14 cases cochineal, H M Camajee Sons; 2 cases lamps, A C Gumpert & Co; 6 cases burgundy and 6 cases champagne, Henry Rogers; 11 cases clocks and 3 cases musical boxes, Rosselet & Co; 1 case electro-plate and cutlery, Leggatt & Co; 10 cases sherry, E Manockjee Setna. Clara, 66 packages medici, E Nusserwanjee Khory; 10 cases cilmanstores and 412 cases window glasses, E Noorbhoy.

DAILY EXPORTS.—12TH JULY.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Charles Bal, 35 bales cotton, T Parsotum.

Stornoway, 178 bales cotton, S Modjee.

Millwall, 11 bales cotton, Finlay, Muir & Co.

Deccan, s, 2 bales wool, C Pitamber; 21 bales wool, L Rajubally; 126 bales cotton, S Mooljee; 20 bales wool, H Royeluud; 60 bales wool, W Dewchund; 17 bales wool, H Wassonjee; 230 bales cotton, N Jewrar; 65 bales cotton, H Soonderdass; 300 bales cotton, K Pitamber & Co; 35 bales wool, F M Dana; 40 bales wool, M Damjee.

Princess Alexandra, 84 bales cotton, C Currimbhoy; 150 bales cotton, M Soorjee; 50 bales cotton, S P Framjee.

Flying Venus, 2 bales cotton, Peel, Cassels & Co.

Surat, s, 60 bales wool, J Ruttonsey.

Sepia, 200 bales hemp, H Carsonjee.

FOR LONDON.

Surat, s, 118 pieces Etrnli, G Premchund; 500 pieces E teeth, B Vullybhoy; 221 pieces E teeth, A R Fazal.

FOR HAVRE.

David Malcolm, 500 bales cotton, H Clasen & Co.

Surat, s, 100 bales cotton, K Pitamber & Co.

FOR SUEZ.

S rat, s, 3 bundles shawls, H A Bells.

FOR HONGKONG.

T njore, s, 24 bundles horns and 2.9 pieces E teeth, J Peerbhoy

FOR SPECIAL MARKET REPORTS and WEEKLY PRICE CURRENT, Blay and Mackintosh's Weekly FREIGHT CIRCULAR, and all the COMMERCIAL and SHIPPING NEWS of the WEEK, see

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS ONE RUPEE, AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

EUROPE.

DEATH.

STOCK—July 11th, at Brighton, the wife of Brigadier-General T. Stock.

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

FIDO—July 11th, at Upper Colaba, the wife of Mr. John F. Fido of a daughter.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

BAYLIS—July 6th, at Nynee Tal, the wife of Mr. T. L. Baylis, of a daughter.

GILDEA—July 6th, at Poonamallee, the wife of Major Gildea, 2/21st Fusiliers, of a son.

DEATH.

WADE—July 7th, at Madras, Mr. M. Wade, Assistant Apothecary, aged 34 years.

NOTICE.

All CHEQUES, MONEY ORDERS, and other Remittances, sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

All Communications respecting Advertisements should be addressed to the "Advertisement Department." *Bombay Gazette* Office, Bombay.

The Bombay Gazette.

THURSDAY, JULY 13, 1871.

THE prospectus of the Bombay Pier Company, which we publish this morning, gives for the first time a definite form to the project which has been talked about and dreamt over for many a long year, of supplying ships frequenting this port with a Deep-water Pier alongside which they can lie to load and unload cargo, whether the tide is high or low. There are three classes of objectors to the proposal to construct such a pier in Bombay harbour. First of all, we have the prudent men, who remember the failure of the mad joint-stock schemes of 1864, and who shake their heads at any fresh show of enterprize in Bombay as if it were sure to end in disaster. To these gentlemen we would only say that each scheme must be judged on its merits, and that it is unreasonable to expect Bombay to stand still for ever because a certain number of speculators chose to make fools of themselves half a dozen years ago. Then come the admirers of the good old system of shipping or discharging cargo by means of boats, which often lie out in the open harbour with goods on board for days together, and the employment of which affords facilities for pilfering which are taken advantage of to an enormous extent in this port. To such criticisms we might reply, in the words of Colonel Strachey's minute of 25th February, 1867, on wet docks —for his argument is quite as applicable to piers as to docks — "taking the experience obtained in English ports as our guide, an unquestionable *prima facie* case in favour of their construction appears at once made out; and the only proper discussion that can arise is as to the special and engineering conditions under which the works would have to be carried out. The presumption of general utility is so strong that the *onus* of disproving it rests on those who consider piers to be needless. For my own part, I should not be disposed to attach any more weight to an argument against piers based on the alleged success of the system which exists, than to one based on the continued use of bullock carts as a proof that the country does not need railways. The essence of the pier system is, that it saves a large amount of labour or force in moving the goods, and affords a greatly increased protection to the goods while in transit, and there can be nothing in the condition of things at Bombay to affect these two great considerations, so long as the physical force of gravity and the moral force of dishonesty remain as constant as experience shows them to do." This argument seems to us conclusive on the point referred to. But there is a third class of objectors, who, acknowledging generally that piers would be most useful to the trade of Bombay, find fault with the scheme for the construction of this particular pier, alleging that the site is too far down the harbour, that the Company is paying too much money for its land, and that the conditions under which Government has granted the concession are too onerous to allow the shareholders to expect large dividends. On all these points intending investors must form an opinion for themselves, by studying the calculations made in the prospectus. It is admitted that the pier will not be available during the monsoon months; but where is the site from which a pier could be built out into deep water so as to be available all the year round in Bombay? Luckily, there is hardly any trade in the monsoon months, so that this difficulty is not of much account. Now that the railways will have one terminus at Colaba, as well as one at Waree Bunder, we cannot but think that the constantly increasing trade of this port ought to be able to support more than one pier or set of docks along the foreshore. Besides a good deal depends on getting the start. The Bombay Government intends to do something itself some day; but it is very slow in making a move. From the Administration Report of the Public Works Department, issued two days ago, we learn that "the plans and estimates for a deep-water pier off Apollo Bunder were submitted in February;" that "the plans of the Elphinstone basins are in course of preparation," and that "the designs for Moody Bay are under consideration." It appears unlikely, however, that Government will sanction anything further at present than the commencement of the Elphinstone basins, which are estimated to cost 70 lacs; and there ought to be room enough for both these docks and the Colaba Pier. The latter has the advantage of being first in the field; and if, as we understand, it can be constructed so as to be ready for work before the end of next year, there is no reason why it should not attract to Colaba a very large proportion of the ships that enter our harbour, and secure a permanent diversion of at least part of the import and export trade from the busiest part of the native town.

OUR daily contemporary, in its issue of the 6th instant, characterised an article which we published some time since, anent the Khandeish Deputy Collector, as not bringing the case at all nearer a conclusion, but presenting the technical and formal aspects of the case in a very fallacious and misleading light. What we attempted was to point a moral and adorn a tale—the tale being the often-told one of Venayek Dewakar, which of late has so vexed the dull ear of the drowsy public; and the moral being the inscrutable ways of Her Majesty's High Court of Judicature at Bombay. As long as the late decision of that Court remains unexplained, the case never can come any nearer to a conclusion, and that explanation the *Times of India* has certainly failed to give; while, as regards a "fallacious and misleading light," a very few words will suffice to throw the charge back upon our contemporary.

Briefly our case is this: In order that Mr. Venayek Dewakar should be brought to trial, the sanction of the local Government was necessary. That sanction was granted, three conditions being annexed thereto. Allowing, for the sake of argument, that the local Government had the power to annex conditions to its sanction, it is both a "fair argument" as well as an argument which every person of common sense would accept as good for anything, that the local Government has no power to overrule the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code.

In this light we examined the three conditions, or directions, of Government. The first direction was complied with, so that point required no further consideration. No direct objection was made as to the compliance or non-compliance with the third direction, so we passed on to consider the second direction. Reading that direction from the stand-point above noted, and by the light of common sense, we came to the conclusion that the meaning was that Mr. Campbell should select the cases upon which the criminal proceedings should be taken. The language of the resolution was, that Mr. Campbell should "prefer charges," but it was showed by a reference to the provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure that that was simply impossible. Did Mr. Campbell (we therefore asked, and still do ask,) approve of the prosecution in the case in question? The *Times of India* will reply' "The answer is not very difficult to state. Mr. Campbell simply did not appear in the case —that is, acting either on his own or the District Magistrate's indiscretion, he made default as prosecutor." As was said with reference to Mr. Macpherson's statement in the High Court, so we ask with reference to this statement, what authority has the *Times of India*? This was the inscrutable point. There was nothing, as far as the record of the case went, to show that Mr. Campbell was not privy to the prosecution. There was no adjournment of the hearing of the appeal, in order that Mr. Campbell might be called upon to make an affidavit, as to whether he did select the case in question or not; and therefore we asked, and do ask, Why was the conviction reversed? What is there fallacious or misleading in this line of argument? Does the *Times of India* writer really think that the local Government *can* overrule the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code? Why, surely its own files can disclose the records of numerous civil cases, in which Government has been a party, and in which the action of Government has been set aside as being opposed to the provisions of the law. Why should there be any difference, because it is the Criminal, and not the Civil, Law? It is all nonsense to talk about Mr. Ashburner virtually, though not avowedly, repudiating the conditions laid down by Government, and proceeding in direct violation, not only of their letter but their spirit; or about Mr. Ashburner showing contempt for the sanctioning authority by proceeding on the sanction and ignoring the conditions. No doubt the Magistrate was rather puzzled by the resolution in question. He must have seen that it was penned by a Revenue Under-Secretary, who had probably forgotten the little he ever knew of Criminal Procedure, or that the unintelligible portion had been added by some meddling clerk in the Secretariat after the resolution had left the hands of the Executive; but he recognised the grand principle underlying the resolution, which was that a Deputy Collector and Full Power Magistrate should not be prosecuted on any petty complaint that happened to turn up, but that Mr. Campbell, the nominee of Government, should sanction the proceedings being taken in any particular case. Let the *Times of India* once show that the Magistrate's proceedings were in violation of this principle, and we will allow that there was apparent reason for reversal of the convictions. At the same time we think it most fallacious and misleading to talk about Mr. Campbell *preferring* charges, and Mr. Ashburner appointing the Mamletdar as *prosecutor*. We do not hail from those quarters (if there be any) in which this topic is unwelcome, except in so far that we are sick of the subject. We do not pretend that by reading the principal depositions, and the two judgments of the Sessions Judge (antagonistic though they may appear to some persons), we can judge off-hand as to the merits or demerits of the case, and straightway uphold a view contrary to the opinions of a Magistrate of more than twenty years' experience, and of a painstaking Sessions Judge, who has heard learned arguments on both sides; but we can give a brief but clear statement of the facts and the law bearing on them, and in default of certain explanations acknowledge that the ways of the law are inscrutable. One word more, even at the risk of being considered not dispassionate in tone. Will the *Times of India* ever realise what it is to write *truth* for *truth's* sake? Letting alone the twaddle about "preferring of charges," "violation of the letter and spirit of the Government resolution," "appointing the Mamletdar in Mr. Campbell's place," there is a direct *suggestio falsi* in the article of the 6th instant, leading the reader to suppose that the third direction of the Government resolution, noted in our former article, was a condition, on account of the non-compliance with which the High Court reversed the conviction.

Let everything possible be urged in favour of the late Deputy Collector, but what is the use of abusing Judges, Magistrates, and Mamletdars? As for ourselves, we pity Mr. Venayek Dewakar, looking upon him as an apparent instance of a native official, who for years served the State with probity, but who at length fell a victim to that vice so inherent to the native mind—corruption. However that may be, he has a perfect right to insist on a full investigation, so that if possible his character may be cleared; and the suggestion of the *Times of India* to have an independent Commission is one well worth taking into consideration.

THE monsoon has at last fairly begun in Bombay. Up to the night before last we had only occasional showers, and the weather resembled what people annually go to seek at Poona during this season than what in ordinary years we are accustomed to down here. But late on Tuesday evening the rain set in in good earnest; and we have since had a steady and persistent downpour, which promises to relieve the anxiety generally felt as to a possible failure of the crops in Western India for want of a due quantity of rain.

A GENTLEMAN amateur has inserted a challenge in the Lahore paper to play any other gentleman in the Punjab a match at billiards for Rs. 500 or Rs. 1,000.

DR. TOMKYNS, of Bareilly, has been temporarily appointed Inspector-General of Jails in the N. W. Provinces during the absence on leave of Dr. S. Clarke.

THE Home Government have sent a despatch to the Madras Government on the subject of the capitalization of the pensions of heirs of native soldiers who died in Abyssinia.

A TELEGRAM has been received, says the "Indian Daily News," by the Government of India from Her Majesty's Secretary of State, prohibiting retrenchment of payment for dromedary post in Arabia.

THE "Englishman" of Monday in a lengthy article calls upon the residents of Calcutta of all races to come forward with subscriptions for the relief of the famine-stricken in Persia; and proposes that a relief committee should be formed at once.

IT is stated that Lord Mayo has shown his sympathy for the Italian family of musicians, of whom four were killed at Simla last week by a landslip, by placing the survivors in his band. He has also promised to pay all expenses incurred in the burial of the deceased lads.

THE projected annexation of Oudh by the North-Western Provinces does not seem to be received with favour by the taluqdars of the province. "Oudh should," says the taluqdars' organ, "be left to itself, and should have its own Chief Commissioner or Lieutenant-Governor to administer it. Its inclusion in the North-Western Provinces will do positive harm"—the "Pioneer" presumes to the taluqdars.

MR. D. WILSON has informed the Colombo newspapers that a fresh telegram has been received from Lord Kimberley, which, although rather indistinct, appears to mean that an engineer, named Townshend, will be engaged to report on both Paumben and Colombo harbour. The steamer Serendib was expected to leave England about the 10th ultimo, and will be at Ceylon at the service of the engineer for the inspection of Paumben.

A Allahabad vernacular journal refers to a loss suffered by native bankers owing to the supersession of country pice by the English, and also on account of the supply of new coins being scanty. The writer states that recently only fifteen and a-half annas of English pice were to be had for a rupee in Allahabad, and that at the date he wrote, the rate was fifteen annas and three quarters of copper change for a rupee. If our vernacular contemporary speaks true, Government should be very happy to relieve the inconvenience of the bankers at sixteen annas to the rupee, as it makes a large profit on its copper coinage.

IT is well to see ourselves as others see us. Here is a description of English editors in India, who, it would seem, are at present trying to stir up a war with Burmah for their own sordid ends. "It is easy enough for these gentlemen," says the 'Nur-ul-Absar,' "to sit at their ease in their bungalows and pass such judgments. What matters it to them if one's life is lost, or one's family is ruined! Their sole concern is their newspapers; and so long as a war with Burmah can furnish them a new subject to scribble on and enrich their sheets for a time with fresh matter, they have no hesitation in stirring it up." What say our Rangoon and Moulmein friends to this?

AT the meeting of the Viceregal Council on Tuesday last Mr. Cockerell introduced his Bill for declaring what laws were in force in Oudh; and after explaining that the Bill was of a similar nature to that introduced by Mr. Stephen with regard to the Punjab, he remarked that the term "non-regulation provinces" could only now be strictly applied to certain hill-tracts and frontier-districts. Mr. Stephen, in supporting the Bill, drew attention to Mr. Broughton's remarks in his edition of the Civil Procedure Code on the unsatisfactory state of the law in the so called non-regulation provinces, which Mr. Stephen attributed principally to the lawyers, who, he said, generally were the first to introduce complications and difficulties.

THE "Pioneer" has received further particulars of the capture of the mutineer at Mirzapur. His name, it appears, is Dolut Singh, and the "native gentleman" by whom we stated a supplementary reward of Rs. 5,000 had been offered, was none other than Sir Salar Jung, acting for the Hyderabad Government. Dolut Singh was, it appears, also "wanted" by the Gwalior police. According to an apparently well-informed correspondent he has been constantly on the move, and not, as was stated, lurking since 1857 in Mirzapur. The statement that he was captured by an European inspector appears to be incorrect; he was pounced on in a temple at Ashtboojah (near Mirzapur) by Captain Jamieson, District Superintendent of Police of Akola, West Berar, "by whom he has been very cleverly tracked from place to place for the last five months." A patient pursuit for twelve years and a clever surprise in the thirteenth ought to inspire would-be criminals with a very wholesome doubt of their ultimate impunity.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

[PER REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PART PAYMENT OF THE WAR INDEMNITY.

LONDON, 11TH JULY.

Payment of five hundred million francs to the Prussians will be made to-morrow. The evacuation of the Department of the Seine Inferieure commences immediately.

The Comte de Chambord has arrived at Bruges.

LONDON, 11TH JULY, AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market to-day was firm.

Fair Dhollera, 7 7/16d.

The Manchester market has been advancing.

7 lbs. Shirtings 8s. 1½d.

8¼ lbs. Shirtings 9s. 7½d.

40's Mule Twist 1s. 1½d.

The Maritana has put into Algoa Bay leaky and is discharging her cargo.

TELEGRAMS FROM EUROPE.

THE following items of news by telegraph from Europe are taken from an extra published yesterday by the *Times of India* :—

LONDON, JULY 4.

Gambetta has been elected for Paris, and announces that he will support Thiers.

Victor Emmanuel received with great and enthusiastic rejoicings in Rome.

The Queen reviewed 6,000 Household Troops at Bushey Park. The Duke Vladimir and the Prince Imperial were present.

Napoleon has visited the International Exhibition.

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The transport of Communists to New Caledonia is opposed by Gambetta. He recommends clemency.

JULY 9.

The Prince and Princess of Prussia are visiting England.

Lord Belmore to be probable Governor of Madras.

The proceedings in bankruptcy of the Tichborne claimant have come on.

Bishop Huxtable, of the Mauritius, is dead.

Judge Creasy, the Chief Justice of Ceylon, is likely to be transferred to the Calcutta Bench.

ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL OF THE 23RD JUNE.

ABOUT half-past 10 o'clock last night the P. & O. Company's s.s. Baroda, Captain W. B. Hall, arrived in harbour with the English mail of the 23rd ult. on board. She brings the following passengers :—

FROM SOUTHAMPTON.

Capt. and Mrs Bird
Mr C E Collins
Mr Stephenson
Mr Moberly
Mr and Mrs Walton
Miss Elliott
Sir Norman Pringle, Bart
Mr R F Chisholm
Major Lidderdale's native and native female servants
Major Cadell's two ayahs
Mr T Jones
Mrs Phillips' ayah
Capt Colrington's ayah
Mr H Pestonjee

FROM BRINDISI.

Capt Hastings
Mr D Jolley
Hon. R S Ellis and native servant
Mr Stewart Reid
Col Trench
Mr J W Dalrymple
Capt Gwyther
Mr Schwendler

FROM MALTA—Dr and Mrs Bonavia

FROM ADEN—Capt Miles and two native servants and 3 dock passengers.

HEADS OF INTELLIGENCE.

(*Overland Mail*, June 23.)

THE Ballot Bill is now before the House of Commons in committee.

Mr. Torrens' motion to prevent sending soldiers on foreign service until the age of twenty has been compromised by a Ministerial assent to an address to the Crown recommending its adoption.

The last division in the Army Bill Committee gave the Government a majority of two only. The Bill has passed through committee, and been reprinted.

Mr. Rylands' Sunday Liquor Traffic Bill has passed the second reading, with the understanding that the hours for opening be as recommended by Government.

There were 45,000 troops in the great military pageant at Berlin on June 16. The festivities and illuminations passed off with great *éclat*. The weather was fine, the crowd immense.

M. Thiers has made a successful financial speech in the National Assembly.

The new French loan is to be for £80,000,000 instead of £100,000,000 as first announced.

The International Working-men's Association has issued a manifesto, accepting the responsibility of the burning of Paris.

It is said that Germany, Russia, and Austria have entered into a treaty to preserve the peace of Europe.

The Queen has arrived at Windsor from Balmoral. Her Majesty opened in person the new St. Thomas's Hospital, near Westminster Bridge, on June 21.

Mr. P. J. Smyth, Nationalist candidate, has been elected for Westmeath, his opponents retiring.

Fenians have broken into the Militia Barracks at Mallow, making off with 300 Snider rifles.

The Triennial Handel Festival celebration has proved a greater success this year than previously.

The cross-examination of the Tichborne claimant is still going on. It is expected that the trial will be adjourned from July 10 to November 7.

The Census Returns of the United Kingdom are now complete. The total population of England and Wales is 22,704,108, showing an increase of 2,637,884 since 1861; in Scotland, 3,358,613, showing an increase of 296,316,; in Ireland, 5,402,759, showing a decrease of 396,268.

Amongst the deaths recorded this week are:—Major-Gen. C. C. Pratt, R.M.; Lieut.-Gen. T. Gordon-Higgins, R.A.; Col. G. T. Haly, late 108th Foot; and Lieut.-Col. Blomefield.

Mr. George Grote, the eminent historian, died on June 18, aged 77.

THE TRADE OF COCHIN.

THE Cochin season, just closed, has been one of the most active on record. The shipments of coffee are 34,562 cwts. in excess of last year; and of pepper 16,411 cwt. In coir-yarn there has been a decrease of 26,429 cwts., and cocoanut oil 38,137 cwts. After a lapse of five years fish oil has again become an article of export, 32,331 cwts. having been shipped.

MILITARY ITEMS.

THE services of Lieutenant and Adjutant Hunter, 24th N. I., have been placed at the disposal of Government in the Political Department.

LIEUTENANT (BREVET CAPTAIN) C. R. OXLEY, Madras Staff Corps, has been granted furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate.

CAPTAIN (BREVET MAJOR) J. I. ROBINSON, Cadre 5th Regiment Bengal Light Cavalry, has been allowed furlough to Europe for twenty months, on medical certificate.

THE services of Captain C. D. P. Payne, Staff Corps, have been placed temporarily at the disposal of Government for employment in the Judicial Department.

CAPTAIN W. J. GILLESPIE, 49th Foot, to be Assistant Director of Gymnastics, vice Captain Daubeny, 109th Foot, who vacates on proceeding on leave to England.

THE Right Hon. the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint Captain Henry P. Ewart, 2nd Regiment of Life Guards, to be an extra Aide-de-Camp on His Excellency's personal staff.

OFFICIAL NEWS FROM AFGHANISTAN.

(COMMUNICATED BY THE FOREIGN SECRETARY, SIMLA.)

CABUL NEWS to 1st July states that Yakoob Khan wrote to the Ameer on 28th June from Yeka Olung, three stages beyond Bamian, to the effect that the letters brought to him by the Meer Akbor Ahmedkhan had reassured him, and that he would come to Cabul by the regular marches.

ITEMS OF INTELLIGENCE FROM CABUL,—DATED 17TH JUNE 1871.

YESTERDAY, at 4 P.M., two sowars, despatched by Sirdar Mahomed Aslum Khan and the Commander-in-Chief from Sebzwar, brought some letters, dated 15th *Rubee-ool-Awul* (corresponding with the 4th June 1871), for the Ameer to the following effect :—

"General Fukeer Ahmed Khan came to us with a verbal and written message from Sirdar Mahomed Yakoob Khan to the effect that, being ashamed of his past conduct, he (the Sirdar) is going to wait on your Highness via the Hazarajat, without seeking any mediation"; that he had sent Shahghasee Attaoollah Khan to Oorskun, and we should discuss the matter with him and satisfy ourselves, in order that until the receipt of your Highness's instructions, the operations of both parties may be delayed. W sent Sirdar Mahomed Alum Khan to Oorskun, which is situated one stage from Sebzwar; and, after seeing Shahghasee Attaoollah Khan and discussing the matter with him, he returned to us with General Fukeer Mahomed Khan, an officer of Sirdar Mahomed Yakoob Khan, with an agreement bearing the seal of Mahomed Yakoob Khan on the back of a copy of the Koran, to the effect that he has no objection to go to Cabul, and that he will leave his brother, Sirdar Mahomed Ayoob Khan, in Herat, and it is left to us either to attack your Highness's younger son (meaning Mahomed Ayoob Khan) and ruin the territory of Herat, or to remain in Sebzwar, until the receipt of your orders, or to take our troops back towards Furrah; also, that he will withdraw his advanced guard from Oorskun towards Herat. We have believed the statement of the Sirdar on the following grounds :

"1.—Because he has sent us a copy of the *Koran* to excuse himself with an agreement on the back of it.

"2.—Because he has agreed to go to Cabul by the Hazarajat route.

"3.—Because he has promised to withdraw his troops from Oorskun.

"4.—Because he has sent, before his own departure, Sirdar Mahomed Surwur Khan, son of the late Sirdar Mahomed Azum Khan, under arrest to Cabul without any request from our side.

"We have, therefore, in the interest of the Government, marched from Kotla Muglan, at the extremity of Jilgha, in Sebzwar, to a small stage this side of the said Jilgha, near the Killa Dukhtur Fort, and after moving slowly, shall halt at Furrah."

ABSTRACT TRANSLATION OF LETTER FROM SIRDAR MAHOMED YAKOOB KHAN, TO THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, BROUGHT TO HIM BY FUKEER AHMED KHAN ON 3RD JUNE 1871.

With reference to your letter, enquiring regarding my chief designs, I beg to state that my main object has been always to wait on the Ameer, and I have no intention of giving up that object; and considering you a devoted and sincere officer of the kingdom, I had intended to proceed (with you) to His Highness, which would have been a means of adding to your good name; but as I now find that your views coincide with those of others, I have determined to leave after the return of my companion General Fukeer Ahmed Khan from you. You are at liberty either to retire or advance against Sirdar Mahomed Ayoob Khan. Under all the circumstances, I shall wait on the Ameer, without seeking mediation, and it would be better if you do not proceed against His Highness's younger son and his troops, otherwise you should know that the people will be ruined and the peace disturbed. An advance by you on Herat would utterly tend to the ruination of the Ameer's kingdom.

ABSTRACT TRANSLATION OF LETTER FROM SIRDAR MAHOMED YAKOOB KHAN, TO SIRDAR MAHOMED ASLUM KHAN, RECEIVED ON 3RD JUNE 1871, BY THE HAND OF FUKEER AHMED KHAN.

I have been always expecting a letter from you, but have been disappointed. I have therefore considered it incumbent on me to write you these few lines.

My views in regard to State matters will be known to you from my letter to the Commander-in-Chief. Had you endeavoured to send the Commander-in-Chief to me for the welfare of the kingdom, what a matter of gratification would it have been to me, but it does not matter if you have not done so.

ABSTRACT TRANSLATION OF LETTER DATED 13TH "RUBEE-OOL-AWUL" (CORRESPONDING WITH THE 2ND JUNE 1871) FROM SIRDAR MAHOMED YAKOOB KHAN, TO THE AMEER, BY THE HAND OF SHEER MAHOMED.

As under all circumstances I consider myself deserving of capital punishment, and have no patron except your Highness, and the Almighty God; although I should consider death as a glory to me, both in this world and in eternity

REPORT OF RAIN-FALL AT BOMBAY

DOWN TO 10TH JULY, 1871.

Fall of Rain from 9 A.M. Monday, 3rd July, to 9 A.M., Monday, 10th July 1871.

JULY.	Observatory, Colaba.	Fort—Elphinstone Circle Garden. Gauge No. 1.	Gauge No. 2.	Gauge No. 3.	Fort George, H. G. Hospital.	Esplanade, H. M. 31st Regt. N. I.	J. J. Hospital, Byculla.
Monday, 3	·18	·16	·18	·14	·10	·10	·05
Tuesday, 4	·03	·14	·13	·14	·26	·30	·10
Wednesday, 5	·01	·19	·12	·09	·06	·10	·20
Thursday, 6	·19	·43	·35	·33	·17	·15	...
Friday, 7	·05	·08	·03	·02	·01	...	·03
Saturday, 8	...	...	...	...	·03	...	...
Sunday, 9	·23	·13	·10	·09	·17	·32	·40
Total for the week	·69	·98	·89	·81	·80	·97	1·54
Total fall of rain from 1st January 1871	13· 11	19·99	16·64	16·35	14·90	15·51	15·70

In the report from the Colaba Observatory, the day is from midnight to midnight, and in that from the J. J. Hospital, from 6 A.M. one day to 6 A.M the following day.

THIRD CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

YESTERDAY at the third Criminal Sessions of the High Court, the following cases were tried before Sir Charles Sargent and a Common Jury :—

THEFT OF SHAWLS.—Sonoo Babna, Govind Bhickajee, Babjee Lukhoo, and Mungesh Anunt were charged with dishonestly receiving stolen property, knowing the same to be stolen. On the 9th May 1871, Syed Banker, a dealer in Cashmere shawls, had a number of them in his house. He went out, and on his return found them gone. Some days afterwards, the fourth prisoner offered for sale two shawls to a Bania merchant, who, suspecting that they were not honestly come by, gave the prisoner into custody. He pointed out another person who, he said, had given him the shawls to sell for him, and eventually the police traced most of the shawls to the prisoners. The aggregate value of the shawls was above Rs. 3,000; and one which the prosecutor valued at Rs. 1,000 had been sold by prisoners for fourteen rupees. The first prisoner was sentenced to be imprisoned for three years, and the other three for eighteen months each.

CRIMINAL MISAPPROPRIATION.—Ganga (woman) and Nunnoo Essoo were charged with criminal breach of trust and criminal misappropriation of a gold and a silver ornament, the property of Balloo Narayen. The prisoners are husband and wife, and it appeared that the sister of the latter was in the keeping of the prosecutor. This woman had a son by her husband whom she had abandoned, and the prisoners undertook to celebrate the marriage of this boy. It was on the occasion of that marriage that the prisoners are said to have gone and borrowed the ornaments of the prosecutor, which they never returned, and a report was accordingly made to the police. The prisoners' defence was that the ornaments were their own, and they called two or three witnesses on their behalf. His Lordship told the jury that the first prisoner being the wife of the second, they need not take the evidence against her into consideration, as she would have to be discharged. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty; and the prisoners were discharged.

CRIMINAL BREACH OF TRUST.—Lalla Foola, Balloo Jethu, Narron Oojun, Oomed Aditram, and Dulsook Foola were charged, the first prisoner with criminal breach of trust, and the others with abetment of the offence. The first prisoner was a pattewalla in the employ of the firm of Nuthoomull Goverdhundas, Marwaree merchants. On the 19th April last, Ramsookh Shrikissondas, the moonim of the firm, gave the first prisoner seven currency notes for Rs. 1,000 each and Rs. 500 in silver to be paid at the shop of Bellasseelal Chounilal on account of a hoondee. The prisoner did not return, and the circumstances aroused the suspicion of the prosecutor who at once made a report to the police. The first prisoner was arrested in a house in the native town, with Rs. 200 and odd in a bag which belonged to the prosecutor's firm. The third prisoner was also arrested, and gave up two notes for Rs. 1,000 each. In consequence of information received by the police, a warrant was obtained against the fourth and fifth prisoners, and they were arrested at a village near Ahmedabad. In a bag which the fourth prisoner had with him, the police found two more of the missing notes. Another note for Rs. 1,000 was also recovered, so that the police succeeded in recovering in all Rs. 5,200 and odd out of the amount which had been entrusted to the first prisoner. The first and fifth prisoners pleaded guilty to the charge. The jury acquitted the second prisoner, who was discharged. His Lordship sentenced the first prisoner to be imprisoned for two years. The remaining three prisoners, one of whom pleaded guilty, and two were convicted by the jury, were sentenced to be imprisoned each for eighteen months.

SMALL CAUSE COURT.—12TH JULY.

(Before J. O'LEARY, Esq.)

GEORGE FRANCIS PHILLIPS VS. ANNE PENNELL, AND PESTONJEE DINSHAW, SOLICITOR, EXECUTRIX AND EXECUTOR OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF ELIZA PHILLIPS, DECEASED.

Mr. Rimington, of the firm of Messrs. Rimington, Hore, and Langley, solicitor, appeared for the plaintiff; Mr. Nusserwanjee, pleader, for the defendants. The suit was brought to recover Rs. 1,000, being the legacy bequeathed to the plaintiff by his late wife, Eliza Phillips.

Mr. Nusserwanjee said that he had been instructed to ask for the postponement of this case till some other day, as the second defendant, Mr. Pestonjee Dinshaw, solicitor, whose evidence was material in the case, was not in Bombay. He had written to the plaintiff's solicitors, requesting them to let the case stand over for some other day, on payment of the costs of the day, but they would not comply. Mr. Pestonjee had gone to Broach to defend a case, and he would probably be here in a day or two. Mr. Nusserwanjee repeated that he was not instructed to defend the action, but only to apply for a postponement.

Mr. Rimington declined to consent to any postponement.

His Honor—The case was originally on the board on the 1st May, and again on the 12th.

Mr. Rimington submitted that the case had been before the Court several times before. The estate was not properly managed. Mr. Pestonjee, who is an officer of the Court, must have known that the case was fixed for to-day (Wednesday). The matter in dispute was referred to the arbitration of Mr. Shantaram Narayen, who had declined the office of arbitrator, as he was one of the creditors of the estate. The learned gentleman said that Mr. Pestonjee ought to have been present in Court or to have instructed some one to consent to a decree.

His Honor to Mr. Nusserwanjee—You see there have been several postponements, and the plaintiff now refuses to comply with your request.

Mr. Nusserwanjee here read the letter, which was addressed to plaintiff's solicitors, asking for a postponement on payment of costs.

Mr. Rimington said he did not care a farthing for costs. His clients urged him to press the cause. To his mind these persons were entitled to their legacies. He would call Mrs. Ann Pennell, the first defendant, who was sitting downstairs, to prove the probate.

The defendant's name was called out thrice, and it was intimated to His Honor that she had left the Court.

Mr. Rimington stated that the suit was to recover Rs. 2,000 bequeathed as legacy. Plaintiff was husband of the testatrix, Eliza Phillips. She made a will in 1869, and appointed the defendants as executrix and executors thereo. Probate was granted by the High Court in 1869. The defendants from time to time paid to the plaintiff various small sums, in the aggregate Rs. 950. The balance had not been paid. They raised certain objections which had nothing to do with the present action.

His Honor said that the only difficulty was about the probate. The female defendant was not in Court.

Mr. Rimington—I have a copy of the will certified by Mr. Orr, the Ecclesiastical Registrar.

His Honor—This lady ought to have been here.

Mr. Rimington thought that the copy of the will which he possessed was not sufficient. The defendant ought to have been present.

His Honor to Mr. Nusserwanjee—You ought to have mentioned to this lady to produce the documents connected with this case.

Mr. Rimington—The plaintiff has nothing to say against her.

His Honor said he must issue an attachment.

Mr. Rimington—I don't wish to take any improper advantage. Your Honor will perhaps postpone the case to some early day.

The case was then postponed till to-morrow, at half-past 2 P.M.

THE SECRETARY TO THE RIGHT REV. DR. MEURIN VS. PESTONJEE DINSHAW.

Mr. Lynch (of Messrs. Dallas and Lynch), solicitor, appeared for the plaintiff; the defendant did not appear. The suit was to recover Rs. 560, being the amount of rent of rooms at 32, Medow Street, Fort, for eight months from 30th June 1870 to March 1871. Rs. 200 had been paid on account, and on the plaintiff having proved the debt, the Court gave a verdict for the balance, Rs. 360, with costs.

BOMBAY BRANCH OF THE EAST INDIA ASSOCIATION.

THE annual meeting of the Bombay branch of the East India Association was held yesterday afternoon at the Framjee Cowasjee Institute, Dr. Bhau Dajee in the chair. Considering the state of the weather, the attendance was pretty fair.

The Chairman, in opening the proceedings, said—It is now nearly two years since the Bombay branch was established for the purpose of supporting the East India Association in London. During this time the parent institution has taken a permanent position and acquired great influence. It is in fact becoming the recognised mouthpiece, before the English public and the English Legislature, of Indian public opinion other than what is represented by official minutes and official reports. Some of the most notable of Indian statesmen are now assisting it with their active help and advice, such as Sir Charles Wingfield, Sir Charles Trevelyan, Sir Bartle Frere, Mr. Eastwick and others. Before its full utility could be realised, however, it is necessary that it should have; the co-operation of branches throughout India. The first years of the Bombay branch must necessarily be full of tentative efforts. Still the report will show that something has been done. It is to be hoped, however, that what has been done will be accepted only as an earnest of what could be and ought to be done; and that all the members of the Bombay branch will heartily co-operate in making it the right-hand of the East India Association. (Applause). With these few remarks, I call upon Mr. Pherozeshah M. Mehta to read the report.

Mr. Pherozeshah M. Mehta, one of the honorary secretaries, then read the following

ANNUAL REPORT.

Your Committee beg to submit to you the report of the operations of this Society from the date of its foundation up to February 1871,—a period of a little more than a year and a-half. No report was presented in February 1870, because this Branch had then just been formed, and your Committee were engaged more in putting things into working order than in realizing actual results.

One of the principal objects of this Branch is to collect subscriptions and donations for our parent body. It will be seen that the number of arrears of subscriptions for the years 1869-70 is still very large, and your Committee hope, that as soon as this state of things is made known, members, particularly those residing in the mofussil, who have not paid, will send in their subscriptions without waiting for an application for that purpose. The collections, irrespective of the translation fund, amount altogether to the sum of Rs. 18,424-3-3. The disbursements are Rs. 3,177-7-7. They are a little beyond the limit assigned to them by rule 5 owing to the circumstance, that besides the strictly local expenses of this Branch, they include others which are incurred in consequence of this body being employed by the parent Association, not only as its agent with respect to the Presidency of Bombay, but also with respect to the other parts of India.

In spite of this additional burden, and in spite of the large number of arrears, your Committee cannot but congratulate this Branch on the amount of the remittances which they have been enabled to make, viz.—Rs. 15,019-1-4 They feel confident that such a sum will go far towards establishing the Association on a secure and permanent footing. In sending their first remittance, your Committee addressed the Council of the Association on the subject as follows :—"The Managing Committee wish to take this opportunity of drawing the attention of the Council to the mode of investing and using the funds, present and future, which they may have the pleasure of forwarding to them. As to the annual subscriptions, there can be no doubt that the Association has the fullest liberty of employing them in defraying its current expenses, or in any other manner that may appear to it most proper. With respect, however, to the life-subscriptions and donations it seems to the Managing Committee that they should be invested as a permanent trust-fund, the interest only arising from which should be spent. Most of the life-subscriptions and donations which they have forwarded to the Council, have been given on the understanding that they should go to the formation of a permanent trust fund for the Association. The Managing Committee have no doubt that the Council will take this matter into their serious consideration, and arrive at a just and satisfactory conclusion." In reply, your Committee received the fullest assurances with respect to the adoption of the plan proposed by them, and they hope that a detailed account of these investments may find a place in future reports of the Association for the satisfaction of members.

Your Committee have to express, on behalf of this Branch, their deep regret at the deaths of two of its most munificent supporters, viz.—the Thakores of Gondul and Bhownuggur, who had promised to contribute annually Rs. 2,400 and 1,000 respectively. These contributions have, since their deaths, been discontinued by the officers in charge of those States. The contribution of the Thakore of Gondul which was for the specific purpose of supporting the publication of the Journal of the E. I. Association, was guaranteed by his late Highness to continue for three years certain under any contingency whatsoever, and your Committee regret to say that the administrator in charge of the Gondul State has not thought fit to reply to their representations on the subject. The Journal of the E. I. Association has always been a most valuable and useful publication, and has lately increased considerably in its value and utility, owing to contributions from several of the most notable of living Indian statesmen. It would be a sad blow to the growth and progress of a healthy and vigorous discussion of Indian politics, if the publication of the journal is stopped, but such would undoubtedly be the case, unless some nobleman or gentleman, possessed of the same discriminating and judicious liberality as his late Highness the Thakore of Gondul, came forward to give it his patronage in a similar manner.

A very important addition has recently been made to the journal, which, your Committee feel confident, will be of immense benefit to the diffusion and cultivation of political thought in India. In October 1869, a resolution was passed by your Committee, on the motion of Messrs. Pherozeshah M. Mehta and W. Wedderburn, to the following effect :—"That the Council of the East India Association be requested to collect and publish all the Parliamentary Indian Debates, Bills and Acts of each Session in a separate and distinct number of the journal." The Council immediately acknowledged the value of this suggestion, and, after much difficult negotiation, they have, at length, succeeded in obtaining special permission from Messrs. Hansards, the Parliamentary publishers, to publish in a separate form those portions of Hansard's Parliamentary Debates, which relate to India. Your Committee have already received the first number, containing the debates during the Session of 1870, from the 28th June to the 7th August, and copies can be had of the Honorary Secretaries on the payment of Rs. 1½ per copy. It is to be earnestly desired that the public will recognize the great usefulness of this undertaking, and will secure its permanence, in their own interests, by ensuring it such a wide circulation as will cover the outlay that has been incurred on it.

One of the earliest efforts of your Committee was directed towards starting Marathi and Guzerati translations of the journal, for the benefit of the great majority of the people who would prefer to read it in their own vernaculars. A number of young gentlemen having offered themselves as volunteers for the task, their services were thankfully accepted by your Committee. These gentlemen have succeeded in issuing several numbers of a Marathi translation of the journal, in the form of monthly issues; and your Committee think that they deserve the thanks of this body for their disinterested exertions. They were unable, however, to proceed with the Guzerati translation of the journal. Fortunately, this circumstance having been brought to the knowledge of His Highness the Nawab of Joonaghur, that Prince, being alive to the benefits likely to be derived from such a publication, most generously and munificently offered to bear the expenses of it up to Rs. 1,000 a year. Your Committee having thankfully accepted this offer,—and they take this opportunity of renewing their thanks in the name of this Branch,—they have now started a Guzerati translation under their own immediate direction and control. The first three numbers of the journal for 1870 are already translated and issued, and a fourth number is in print, and will be out in a few days. Your Committee are gratified to observe that these translations have met with the full approval of the whole Guzerati press,—who have extracted largely from them for the information of the public. Your Committee feel sanguine that their efforts in this respect will not have been made in vain, and that a wide circulation will secure, on a stable footing, an undertaking eminently calculated to disseminate useful political knowledge among the masses of the Guzerati-speaking population of the Bombay Presidency. The subscription for the Guzerati number is fixed at Rs. 3 8 per year for members. The Honorary Secretaries receive the names of those wishing to subscribe.

Several valuable papers and lectures have been read before this Society during the period under review. In December 1869, Mr. Pherozeshah M. Mehta, one your Honorary Secretaries, read a paper on the "Grant-in-Aid system" in the Presidency of Bombay, which now appears in No. 2 of Vol IV. of the East India Association Journal. The subject of the suspension of the Victoria Scholarships was brought before this Branch, in January 1870, by Mr. Bala Mangesh Wagle, Honorary Secretary, and several resolutions were passed, deprecating the suspension of those scholarships, which resolutions were transmitted by the Council of the East India Association to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India. The resolution and the reply of the Duke of Argyll are given in appendix D, from which it appears that the scholarships were given up in favour of the measure subsequently incorporated in clause 6 of the East India (Laws and Regulation) Act (33 Vic., c. 3.) Your Committee, while fully admitting the good intentions and liberal spirit of its framers, regret that they are unable to approve of the principle of that measure, which is not only utterly inadequate for the purpose of removing the special difficulties in the way of the admission of the natives of India into the Civil Service of their country, but is positively dangerous and pernicious in the inevitable tendency which it discloses of reviving the obnoxious system of patronage. This was pointed out to this Branch in a paper read on the subject, in April 1870, by Mr. Pherozeshah M. Mehta, when resolutions were passed against the measure. These resolutions have been sent to the Council of the East India Association, but that body has thought it advisable to postpone taking any action on them, till the orders, which are to be prepared pursuant to the Act to give effect to the measure, are framed and published, and which it is thought may render the measure, if not efficient, at least innocuous.

In February 1870 two lectures were delivered in Guzerati, by Mr. Kaikhosro N. Kabra, on "The East India Association and the British Government;" and in May of the same year, the same gentleman delivered four lectures, also in Guzerati, on "Indian Finance and the Income Tax." Such lectures are eminently calculated to diffuse political knowledge and stimulate political discussion, and your Committee earnestly call on the large number of members in this body, fully capable of co-operating in this patriotic enterprise, to come forward to do the duty which they owe in this respect to themselves and their countrymen.

Your Committee offer the warmest thanks of this body to the several gentlemen who have read papers or lectures before them.

In the month of February last, your Committee prepared petitions to the Houses of Parliament praying for a Select Committee on Indian affairs similar to those uninterruptedly appointed at an interval of something like twenty years from 1782 to 1853. The petitions were adopted at a meeting of this Branch on the 17th day of March 1871, and have been forwarded to the Council of the East India Association with a request to get them properly presented. The petition was presented in the House of Commons on Friday the 12th May 1871, by Mr. E. B. Eastwick, C.B., M.P. for Falmouth, chairman of the Council of the East India Association. It is a well known fact that the exertions of our parent Society to obtain a Parliamentary Indian Committee have been so far successful, that a Committee of the House of Commons has been appointed to enquire into the finances and the financial condition of India. The scope of this inquiry is said to be of such a character, that it will necessarily embrace the majority of Indian subjects. If such is really the case, your Committee cannot but think that the objection against a more extended enquiry, on the ground of its impracticability, can hardly be considered to be of much weight, as the scope of a committee on the affairs of India generally, would be really not very much larger than that of this present committee. It is to be hoped that the prayers of your petitioners will meet with deliberate consideration.

On the motion of Messrs. W. M. Wood and Pherozeshah M. Mehta, your Committee have distributed several copies of Mr. Bright's Indian speeches.

By the authority vested in your Committee by rule VII. they have elected Mr. W. Wedderburn, one of the vice-presidents of this body, in recognition of the great interest which that gentleman took in, and the valuable assistance which he rendered to your Committee, during the time he was vice-chairman of the Managing Committee.

Your Committee have to offer their best thanks to the Bombay, Madras, and Punjaub Governments for kindly presenting the Branch with a copy of some of their publications. They also owe thanks to the committee of the Framjee-Hall for kindly giving the use of their hall very freely for meetings of the Committee as well as of our general body.

In concluding this report, your Committee cannot but be conscious, that while much yet remains to be done, the formation of this Branch has contributed something to the advancement of the aims and objects of the East India Association, and this reflection strongly suggests to them the desirability of the establishment of similar branches in the sister Presidencies and the other great divisions of India. The constitution of the East India Association, aiming to become the mouthpiece of all India at headquarters, cannot be said to be fully completed, and its capabilities brought in full action, till it is founded on a constituent substratum composed of all the various Indian nationalities. Your Committee feel confident that this only requires to be brought to the knowledge of the public-spirited men of the sister Presidencies to incite them to organise Branches similar to the Bombay Branch. They therefore propose to send copies of this report to some of the leading men in various parts of India, as showing by actual experience what could be effected, even in times of difficulty and depression, by such bodies as ours, and to appeal them to take active measures to co-operate with us in our present enterprize.

Resolutions were passed for the adoption of the report; for the election of Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, Bart., C.S.I., as the president for the year; for the confirmation of the election of W. Wedderburn, Esq., as vice-president of the Bombay branch; and for the election of a managing committee for the next year. Four of the movers and supporters of the resolutions addressed the meeting at some length; and a vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the proceedings.

THE EXTENSIVE CRIMINAL MISAPPROPRIATION.

THE further hearing of the case in which two Hindoos are charged with criminal misappropriation of Rs. 72,000, was resumed yesterday in the Fort Police Court before the Senior Magistrate, when the following additional evidence was taken :—

Mr. Payne conducted the prosecution; Mr. Hurrychunker defended one of the accused.

Mr. Luckhmidas Khimjee said—I am a partner in the firm of Lukhmidas Khimjee and Co., and a Justice of the Peace. On the 15th June last, Gooloo Topun brought money in currency notes to me to the amount of Rs. 29,600. In consequence of what Gooloo said to me I took him to Mr. Edgington, Deputy Commissioner of Police, and a statement was made to Mr. Edgington and the notes shown to him, when he took a note of the numbers, directed me to seal them up in a packet, which I did, and which I now identify. It contains twenty-nine notes of Rs. 1,000 each, five notes of Rs. 100 each, and two notes of Rs. 50 each. The informant and Gooloo Topun came to me on the following day, when Gooloo taking Rs. 200 from the hand of the informant, gave it to me. This amount was sealed up in a packet which I now produce. On opening it I found it to contain ten currency notes of Rs. 20 each.

Gooloo Topun stated—I am a broker in grain. I know the informant. I received money from him, Rs. 29,600 in notes. This was about twenty-five days or a month ago. I went to Mr. Lukhmidass Khimjee and gave the money to him. I told him the circumstances under which I had received it, and we two went to Mr. Edgington, Deputy Commissioner of Police. I told Mr. Edgington the circumstances and placed the money before him. The day after this the informant gave me Rs. 200. I handed these to Lukhmidass Khimjee too

The Magistrate adjourned the case for further enquiry.

THE "INDIAN ECONOMIST'S" STATISTICS.

(*Pioneer.*)

SOME people may have an interest in crying down the system of land assessment which obtains in these provinces, but we are quite sure that our Bombay contemporary, the *Indian Economist*, is simply actuated by an honest wish for the public good. He deserves therefore that we should advise him not to discredit his most earnest arguments by the extravagant statements into which he is apt to be hurried. What are we to say to a writer who asserts that six acres of good land in these provinces are worth sixty acres in England? The following are his exact words :—"The farming profits of 6 acres of irrigated land of fine quality in these provinces would far exceed the profits of 60 acres of ordinary land in our own country." The very thought of it almost turns our head. We call upon the Board of Revenue, Sir William Muir, and that bran-new besom, the Agricultural Department, to look to it at once. Here is an awful sacrifice —we do not mean of truth, but of revenue—going on. Only think for a moment of the financial prospect. Say that three pounds an acre is a fair rent for an English farm. Then our best land ought to pay tenfold that—thirty pounds an acre. Even at the despised standard of half assets that would give fifteen pounds an acre. Now fifteen pounds per acre over even a twentieth part of the area of these provinces would be something handsome. And, all through the infatuation of our officials, we are condemned to put up with a beggarly rental of six shillings or thereabouts. It is really too bad. We do not wonder at the anger displayed by the *Economist*. Nor are we surprised that he has to some extent lost his head. Thirty pounds per acre!

INDIAN ITEMS.

TRIPLE BIRTH.—A correspondent informs us that, at a village near Boroe, a native lady recently gave birth to three children, two boys and a girl. They unhappily all died, during the three ensuing days, preserving the same rotation in leaving, as they did in entering the world.—*Indian Daily News.*

A ROYAL PRINTER.—It will be a consolation to our poor compositors to know that they have got a Royal brother in the trade. The Emperor of Germany is reported to be a practical printer. All the members of the Royal family of Prussia are required to learn some trade, and William chose typography as the most desirable craft, and spent three years at the case.

KEEPING WITHIN HOUSES AFTER SUNSET.—The order prohibiting Hindus or Musalmans in Bareilly from leaving their houses after sunset, which was found necessary in consequence of the recent Muharram riots at that place, seems to be strictly carried out. A native journal instances a case in which a person in the place fell ill and died during the night. The relations of the man were unable to render him any assistance, as in consequence of the prohibition they dare not leave the house to call in medical aid.

A WOMAN in advertising her runaway husband says—"David has a scar on his nose where I scratched it."

KATE'S IDEA OF THE CAMP OF EXERCISE.

A MEERUT correspondent of the *Pioneer*, signing "Kate," who is very solicitous about the comfort of her "poor Augustus," writes as follows :—

You publish so much correspondence that I hope you will not reject this, for I am terribly perplexed by what I hear Lord Napier has ordered about his Camp of Exercise. I can hardly sleep for thinking of poor dear Augustus tramping along under a greatcoat and havresack, unable to eat the ration beef, and driven by sheer exhaustion to gulp his share of rum!—fancy, canteen rum! mixed with goodness only knows what. Then what fearfully strict rules are proposed about tents and luggage; surely there is a happy medium—people could be roused and taught their duties without *quite* such awful ways. When I first heard of the project I thought we should have such fun, quite a gigantic picnic and coursing-shooting-meeting combined.

Now I am in the depths of despair, being called a "superfluous camp follower." What am I to do in a deserted cantonment? If ladies are in the way in camp (which I *never will believe*), why may we not have a little encampment at some distance? And if in our rides a syce with claret, cake, and sandwiches should meet any of the officers, I suppose that would not be against the rules of the service, would it now? No one who has read the capture of Magdalla can help admiring our present chief's *energy* and talents—but I do trust he will not insist on the Spartan dicipline proposed for the camp. I hope to be at Simla in another month, and perhaps some of his charming staff may allay my fears about poor Augustus. You know if he went home with a horrid red nose (from rum and sun) and the marks of Delhi boils all over his face, his mother would be sure to say I had driven him to seek comfort in drink! Do you think some essence of coffee in his pocket, and a small Etna in which to heat it—burning the rum—would be advisable?

Before I married him Augustus was always telling me of the "gorgeous East," and the luxuries which *more* than compensated for a little warm weather! Ah, me! I have already found many a thorn under the roses he promised me; but it is useless to tell him so; he only says "times change and opinions differ," and tells me women are never amenable to reason; but if this camp does not *disenchant* him, I shall be surprised. In all my anxieties it is some comfort to think what an *unanswerable* argument I shall have now against life in India! Won't I warn the girls at home against ever coming out to such a wretched country! Mind you answer my questions in your next, dear Mr. Editor—and comfort the mind of KATE.

"PENDENNIS, MAJOR."

O RARE "Pendennis, Major," *who* are you?
A Major in the Horse Marines? We wish
You'd tell us plainly,—fowl, or flesh, or fish,
Man, maiden, angel, devil,—tell us, do!
"He's an old maid!" say some, "and very blue
As to his ankles!" Some, "He seems to know
All things in heaven, in earth, and down below.
He out-nicks Nick, as gum's outdone by glue!"—
But write you on, whoe'er you chance to be,
And week by week spin out your tales for us,—
Wild in their wit, and in their diction free:
That you, whilst giving us our laugh should thus
Fill your own pockets with the bright rupee!—
Write on, write on, O most "amoozin cuss!"
—*Pioneer.* PENDENNIS MAXIMUS!

HOW TO PURIFY GAS.

THE importance of our having the gas which we burn in our houses as pure and innocuous as possible cannot be overrated. It has long been an opinion among scientific men that there must be something in chemistry capable of denuding gas of its impurities. A private gentleman, residing at Clifton, claims to have made the discovery. He collected the best books upon chemistry, and sought to discover the exact properties of gas-flame; and he found that all its constituent parts had the strongest and most marked affinity for "pure water," and that no other ingredient had in itself such effect on these constituents as this simple and natural element. Another important result of his investigations, which must not be forgotten, was that the gas-flame should be passed through clay tubes, and that gas-heat should never be passed through, or come into contact with, iron or any other metal. Porcelain or fire-brick pipes are the best for the purpose. This preliminary being attended to, the gas-flame is subjected—by means of a small and cheap apparatus which our amateur chemist has invented—to the mollifying influences of the "pure water." The result is an absence of all unpleasant smell or effluvium; and in the case of bed-rooms, those who are in health or those who are delicate alike breathe a free and wholesome atmosphere. We hope that the benefits of the invention will soon extend to every household where gas is "laid on."—*Once a Week.*

AN AMUSING INCIDENT.

DURING the late Whitsuntide holidays, an amusing incident occurred at one of the favourite resorts of holiday-makers—to wit, the British Museum; and the incident is the more amusing because it is authentic. A stout, portly dame, of decidedly domestic aspect, made her way up to one of the attendants who keep guard, staff in hand, over the public treasures. "Can You tell me, sir, where I can find little Jimmy?" Now, it happens that a certain other official connected with the building is known by the familiar and affectionate sobriquet of "little Jimmy." The natural idea of the official thus appealed to was, of course, to introduce the old lady to the "little Jimmy" within his own range of information. It was clearly a case of a "country cousin" and a London relative. But, alas, between "little Jimmy" and the old dame no signs of recognition were exchanged. It was plain there was a mistake. It must be some other "little Jimmy." After some further trouble, the question was finally solved by the old lady herself. "Well, you see, sir, little Jimmy and I were both servants at the same place a good many years ago. But he left before I did, and I have not seen little Jimmy since; and I thought he might be dead. For little Jimmy was one of the oddest men I ever knew; and master often said that when he died he would be stuffed, and put in a glass case and sent to the British Museum. So I thought I might find him here."—*Once a Week.*

ABYSSINIA.

AFFAIRS in Abyssinia are growing, if possible, worse than they were in the time of Theodore. At that time there was but one tyrant, as the chiefs of the revolted districts were obliged to govern the disaffected Abyssinians in a lenient manner for fear of their people joining themselves again to the Emperor; but now there are no less than three tyrants, with countless satellites, who are playing great havoc in the country, to say nothing about the Gallas and other neighbouring barbarous tribes, who are constantly worrying the poor Christian population inhabiting the border of Abyssinia.

Of the three great chiefs, the first calls himself "Emperor of Ethiopia," the second "King of Abyssinia," and the third "Ruler of Tigre, an offensive and defensive ally of the British Government." The "Emperor" is well known by the name of Wakshum Gobasai; it was through his territories the British army had to pass on their march to Magdala. This chief has certainly managed to conquer all the Amhara country with Gondar as its capital; but although he has nominally been crowned Emperor and his dominions extend from the sea to the extreme west of Abyssinia, he cannot yet boast of having subdued all the Abyssinian districts which had revolted in the time of Theodore. He swears vengeance against Rajaj Kasa of Tigre, who was formerly his vassal, and who was established in his usurpation by the late cruel deeds of Theodore and the advance of the British forces into Abyssinia. To do Wakshum Gobasai justice, he always showed great sympathy to the European captives, to whom he rendered every assistance in his power during their imprisonment at Magdala; and ultimately he crowned his stanch friendship to the English by proclaiming a free passage to their troops through his country, and ordering his people to receive them with open arms. The second ruler, who styles himself "King of Abyssinia," is Menilek, King of Shoa, who is fonder of ease and luxury than of the sword and the good government of his country: but the prestige of his grandfather Sahala Salasu, which has not yet died out in Southern Abyssinia, gives him very great power over the Shoas and Gallas of his subjects. The third, who is the "offensive and defensive ally of the British Government," is Dajatch Kassa, by the name of "Prince of Tigre," an appellation bestowed on him by some political officers to give him a status in the eyes of the British soldier. This chief had increased his power immensely by showing that he was an ally of the English; but as soon as the troops quitted Abyssinia he began to lose ground through his want of faith and bad government. As a matter of course dissensions began at once to show themselves in Tigre, and now he has no real power excepting at Adwa, which he had subdued through the assistance of the wild Gallas. Those Tigre chiefs who are liberated at the fall of Magdala, and who are made over by the Commander-in-Chief, Sir Robert Napier, to Dajatch Kassa, he has imprisoned for no other reason than that he fears them. All these Abyssinian chiefs are trying to open communication with the British Government in the hope of obtaining some assistance for settling their disputes against each other. They have all tried to send envoys to England to gain the desired end. The Prince of Tigre has been prevailed upon by some of his servants to send them to England with some presents to the Queen, in the hope of establishing offensive and defensive alliance with the British nation. The poor man had to muster all his energy and power in collecting Abyssinian trinkets, and has succeeded in forwarding some gilt articles of the value of 2,000 dollars (about £400), whereby he hopes to gain her Majesty's favour. If the bad feeling against the present rulers of Abyssinia increase, Dajatch Alamayo will have a good chance of succeeding his father with but little trouble, because all theologue's late adherents are only awaiting his return to proclaim him king.—*Pall Mall Budget.*

ALLUDING to chignons, Mrs. Clover said, "A girl now seems all head." "Yes, all you talk to her," replied Mr. Clover.

HOW A TOWN COUNCIL DISCUSSES THE WATER SUPPLY QUESTION IN EDINBURGH.

(*Scotsman.*)

PHYSICIANS and chemists notwithstanding, we assert that St. Mary's Loch does not consist of water at all, but of petroleum. No man can doubt that who reflects upon the condition of this city during last week. From Monday to Saturday we were up to the neck in an inundation from St. Mary's, while simultaneously a conflagration of the fiercest intensity and most formidable dimensions raged in the various quarters to which the flood penetrated, demonstrating the inflammable and inflammatory properties of the lake with a clearness that must carry conviction to the mind of every person out of Morningside and the Water Trust. We regret to say that a good deal of damage has been done by the flames, several important municipal reputations having entirely perished—the ashes of them still smoking as we go to press. The fire broke out first at the several ward meetings which were deeply saturated with St. Mary, spreading in a southerly direction from St. Giles' to St. Leonard's, and finally wrapping the Town Council in a blaze which roared in the most alarming manner for two entire days, and ended in the platform of the Lord Provost and his associates falling in with a disastrous crash, in spite of the most desperate efforts on the part of its occupants to preserve their standing.

As usual on such occasions, the incidents and details were of varying quality and interest. At some places the heat excited was painfully intense, causing the sufferers to utter exclamations of the most fearful character, and to struggle with an energy that often approached ferocity. Imagine the condition of feeling which gave rise to the following events, recounted with Homeric simplicity by the reporters. "A perfect riot ensued during which two gentlemen essayed to address the meeting, but it was impossible to hear them." This occurred notwithstanding a solemn adjuration addressed to the meeting by a Mr. Musgrove, who "begged them to remember where they were met." The place of meeting was the Police Chambers, which Mr. Musgrove evidently regards as a sort of cathedral. But let us proceed. "In the course of a lull in the uproar, a gentleman in the area of the hall rose and moved a vote of censure on Councillor Temple for his conduct in the chair. Hereupon the uproar was renewed, and in the middle of it a Mr. Nicolson rose, mounted a form, but being received with a storm of howls and hisses, sat down, moving that Councillor Robertson take the chair. A scene of indescribable confusion and uproar then ensued. Some of the supporters of Mr. Nicolson's motion handed up a chair, which was planted on the table, with the intimation that Councillor Robertson was to occupy it, and supersede Councillor Temple. The supporters of the existing chairman resented this conduct, and made an attempt to seize the obnoxious chair. The crowd rushed up to the table, and a scuffle for possession of the chair, which ended in a free fight, took place—the end being that the chair was torn limb from limb. During the scene, Bailie Lewis cried out for the police, but his voice was unheard amid the uproar, and eventually comparative quiet was restored; when Councillor Robertson's supporters announced that they would leave the room and hold the meeting in the open air. Accordingly, a rush of the large majority was made to the door, and an adjournment took place to the Royal Exchange Court. A large barrel was secured, and placed beneath the arcade of the City Chambers, and on this temporary rostrum Councillor Robertson mounted and addressed the assemblage. He referred to the conspiracies which he had heard being hatched in the room just left, and went on to maintain," &c.

This is no doubt very sad, but it is comforting to think that the events occurring at these harrowing scenes were not all of this distressing character. Seldom has anything happened, for instance, better fitted to impart a comforting view of human nature than a statement made at a very fiery meeting by a Mr. M'Lachlan, fish merchant. This benevolent person is anxious to have St. Mary's brought in bodily, that there may be plenty of water for the poor; and in the course of a speech in which he "feel for the poor" amid their scarcity of liquid, that "he has not had a bath for nine months." There, surely, spoke a man governed by a nobler motive than mere concern for his own skin. Does the Lord Provost or any of his followers who dwell so feelingly on the necessities of their humbler fellow-citizens practise the self-denial of the foul but philanthropic M'Lachlan? Let cynics insinuate that Mr. M'Lachlan's abstinence from private ablution, added to the effects of his public avocations, is a deep-laid scheme for leading the ratepayers by the nose—we refuse to believe in any such aromatic machinations, and persist in regarding him as disinterestedly dirty. May we hope that those who gain so much by his noble self-abnegation will sometimes think gratefully of their benefactor as they quaff the fluid which ought to have gone to the purification of his exterior; and, since one good turn deserves another, that they will occasionally pay a visit to his fish, if he continue to have a stall in Princes Gardens, where they will find Mr. M'Lachlan, dusky with honourable grime, presiding over the sale of his merchandize, which, we trust, has not been so long out of the water as its owner.

Narrow escapes are also often characteristic of the class of scenes which it is here our duty to record, and the events of the past week have not been without this feature. Of such, perhaps, the most striking, as it is not the least important, is the escape made by Bailie Lewis from the heat and flame developed in his own Ward of St. Leonard's. The Bailie undoubtedly the leading Locher, and had he been present, it seems impossible, from the result, that he could have come off unscathed. Providentially, however, the Bailie was in Dumbarton. It so happened that his business, which allows him to go for a month at a time in the public interest to London, called him to Dumbarton on the very day when it was of consequence to have a St. Mary demonstration with which to confront that. The demonstration proved a dangerous one

Did you leave the students behind you when you went away?—Some were.

Was the school left behind when the philosophers went away?—I believe some went and some did not.

Did they leave the greater part?—That I cannot answer.

Were the students there when you got back?—They generally were when I got back.

Were there any rules as to time?—Yes; but I don't think I kept them.

What was the rule as to the vacations?—I don't remember.

Did they all keep the same vacations?—You have been asking me about it for an hour or more, and I have answered it.

Would it surprise you to find that the summer vacation of the philosophers was more than two months, that the vacation at Christmas was a week, and at Easter a week, and that the students only went away at midsummer?—No, it would not; but I don't believe it is so.

If it is true, you have forgotten it?—Yes; I am quite certain I never returned in a week.

But about the midsummer vacation being two months?—It is quite evident that I have mistaken the winter for the summer.

Had you forgotten that the names of the seven classes at Stoneyhurst were—elements, figures, rudiments, grammar, syntax, poetry, and rhetoric?—Yes.

When you were before Mr. Roussell you remembered on the first day the names of Petre and Arundel, and afterwards Walmsley, M'Cann, and two brothers named Cooke?—Yes, I did.

When you were before Mr. Roussell, did you pronounce Peter "Petre?"—I don't know.

Surely you must recollect?—You don't suppose I recollect all I said before Mr. Roussell.

Will you swear you did not call him Petre?—No, I will not swear.

Will you swear you had not seen the list before you had been cross-examined?—No; I don't think I had.

Will you swear it?—I think I might safely swear it.

Will you?—You say a list of the fathers and scholars?

Any list?—I will swear I don't recollect it.

Do you know that the name is spelt Petre, and therefore might be so pronounced?—Yes.

Will you swear that there was ever, whilst you were at Stoneyhurst, any lad there named Peter or Petre?—I believe there was.

Will you swear?—To the best of my belief there was.

Will you swear there was?—I will not swear.

What Arundel was it you mentioned?—Everard Arundel.

What was he—a student or philosopher?—He was a student.

Will you swear that?—He was a student.

Will you swear it?—I am quite certain.

Will you swear it?—I believe he was, but I will not swear it.

Can you tell the name of any other student or philosopher who was there?—Yes, Young Berkley was there.

What was his Christian name?—I don't remember.

Can you give me any other name?—Mr. Seager was there.

What was he?—He was a philosopher.

What was his Christian name?—I believe it was Henry.

Is he the man who made an affidavit for you?—Yes—no; at least I am not aware he has made any affidavit. You ask the questions so sharp that I answer wrong.

Did you know Guy went to see him?—Guy went with me to see him.

Do you remember the Christian name of Berkley?—No, I do not.

Was there more than one?—There were two.

Were they students or philosophers?—Philosophers, I believe.

Both of them?—One was. I think both were.

Was Clough or Cluff ever at Stoneyhurst when you were there?—Yes.

Will you swear that?—I have seen him there.

Will you swear that Mr. Clough ever resided at Stoneyhurst for an hour when you were there?—I think so.

Will you swear that?—He certainly was.

Will you swear that?—I can't understand what you mean.

You said in your examination in Chancery that you had recalled more names. Do you mean to say that Father Clough presided at Stoneyhurst a day while you were there?—I believe he did.

Will you swear it?—No. I know he did.

Then why won't you swear it?—No, I won't.

If you are certain, why don't you swear it?—I'll not swear it.

You mentioned Glanderell, an Italian. Will you swear there was a person of that name at Stoneyhurst, or having anything to do with Stoneyhurst at the time you were there?—I don't even remember the name myself now.

What made you say, after taking time to consider, that you remembered him? Will you swear that he was there?—There was an Italian.

Well, there were people from all parts of the world, I suppose?—I did not see a Chinese.

Thank you, that is a smart answer. I am glad you are getting better. Do you remember some people of the name of Lafontaine?—No.

Or what part of the world they came from?—I don't remember the name. They might be French.

Do you remember any people of colour being there?—Do you mean white people or black.

I mean people of colour, not pure Europeans?—That might be a Creole.

A Creole is the son of white parents born abroad. Do you remember?—There might be some dark people.

You spoke to me of the lay brothers. Who were they?—They attended on the wants of the priests.

What sort of people were they?—Were they servants?—They were not servants. They were people who devoted themselves to religion, and assisted all they could.

Were they in orders?—Not in orders.

Were the young gentlemen ministered to by ordinary servants, in addition to the lay brothers?—Certain waiting in the colleges was done by lay brothers.

Did the lay brothers do the whole work?—I believe there were others.

There were servants besides the lay brothers?—Yes.

You will swear that?—Yes.

Can you give me the name of any servant?—No.

Of any lay brother?—I don't remember the name. There is one up in Farm-street.

Can you tell me who was the superior of Stoneyhurst when you went there?—Father Walmsley.

You pledge yourself to that?—I can.

Was the superior of the seminary and the superior of Stoneyhurst the same?

The Lord Chief Justice—I have no evidence as to the seminary.

The Solicitor General—Was there a superior of the seminary?

Witness—I think there was only one superior.

Then there was not a superior of the seminary under the superior of Stoneyhurst?—I can't answer that question.

Was not the superior of the seminary the superior of the philosophers, and he who conducted their education?—That was Father Walmsley.

Was he what, in ordinary English, we should call the head-master?—I believe there was no superior except Walmsley.

Did he superintend the education of the philosophers?—I think he did

Then you think he was rector of Stoneyhurst?—Most undoubtedly.

Was not a gentleman of the name of Norris, superior of Stoneyhurst—at the head of the whole establishment when you went there?—No.

Do you swear that?—No, he was not.

Was Father Walmsley there all the time you were there?—No. There were a great many changes.

Who besides was superior of Stoneyhurst while you were there?—I don't recollect.

Was there a prefect of philosophers?—Yes, of course.

What was he?—He was not known under the title of superior.

I did not say he was. I ask you whether there was a prefect of philosophers?—I don't recollect him under that name.

Was there any person passing under that name?—No such person.

Will you swear that?—No; I won't swear that. There was a superior like a head-master; but I don't remember any such character.

Did you know Mr. Bird?—Yes, he was one of the fathers.

What did he do in the school?—He was one of the head-masters.

What did he teach?—I don't remember. He was a sort of head-master.

You say you also remember M'Cann. Was he at Stoneyhurst while you were there the whole time?—Very few of them were there the whole time. Are you sure the name is not MAHN?

The Solicitor General then referred to the short-hand note, in which the name of M'Cann was distinctly mentioned.

The Solicitor General—Do you recollect a man named M'Cann?

Witness—No. I have no recollection.

As far as you know there was no such person, then?—I don't recollect.

Should you be surprised to find that John M'Cann was the prefect of philosophers who was constantly in communication with yourself, and who left Stoneyhurst at a moment's notice?—I doubt it, and I don't think there was.

Is that true or not, to the best of your recollection?—I have no recollection of it at all.

Was there ever a person named Peter there? What was he; a student, a boy, or what?—He was not one of the fathers.

Should you be surprised to find that Mr. Bird was one of the persons whose lectures Roger Tichborne attended, and that Mr. Peter was the other?—I am not aware that I have said anything in contradiction to that.

While you were at Stoneyhurst you went on a visit to Burton Constable?—Yes.

Do you recollect the theatricals there?—Yes.

What were they?—The name of the piece I do not remember.

Were you a spectator or an actor?—I played one of the musical instruments there.

What did you play?—The French horn.

Did you play in the piece or not?—No, I think not.

You recollected at Burton Constable getting up and hunting swine and cutting the hedge. Surely you remember whether you played in the piece or not?—No; I do not. *Popping the Question* was the name of the piece, I think. I do not think I played in it.

Will you swear that you did not?—No; I will not swear it.

Surely you can recollect that?—I think your remarks are very impertinent.

The Solicitor General—I am reminding you.

Witness—And you remind me in a very insolent manner. I assume that Sir Talbot Constable told us the truth?—I don't suppose he would speak an untruth for either me or for you.

Surely you can recollect whether you played a part or not?—I don't think I did.

You will not swear?—No.

Was there anything else played besides *Popping the Question*?—I don't recollect just now.

Was anything else played?—I cannot recollect.

Do you recollect any French piece being played?—Yes, there was a French piece.

Just give us the name?—I do not remember.

You used to talk French in those days—what did you play?—I don't remember.

Was it a French piece at all?—I really cannot say. I think it was a French character in an English piece.

What was the character?—It was a French officer in an English piece.

A little more and we shall have it out?—I don't think you will have any more out of me. I don't know anything about it.

Surely you can give us the name?—No, I cannot.

Did you play the character of the French officer?—No, I don't think I did.

Did you play anything at all?—I don't think I did.

Will you swear?—I wish I had known all these questions were going to be asked, and I would have kept a note of them (laughter).

I dare say you do. Did you play anything else at that time?—I danced the "can-can" before a lot of ladies and gentlemen in the library (laughter).

Was that in '47 or '48?—Well, I was thinking.

Will you swear that?—Most positively.

Did you take a part in the acting on that occasion?—I don't recollect.

Will you swear you did not act a part?—You seem very anxious to get me to swear what I don't recollect.

Did you act a part?—I don't think I took an active part, but if I did it was something very simple.

Will you swear you did not?—No.

Was Mr. Radcliffe there?—Well, he says he was, but I do not believe him.

Will you swear you did not act with him?—Yes, I will.

Will you swear you did not take any part in a performance with Mr. Percival Radcliffe at Burton Constable?—Yes.

Would you be surprised to find that Roger Tichborne acted the part of a French student and Mr. Percival Radcliffe that of another?—I did not.

Did you ever play at any other theatricals at any other place?—What place do you mean?

Question repeated?—I have no recollection.

Did you ever play at any house you were staying at?—I have no recollection.

Surely you can remember whether you took a part in theatricals—I have some idea that I have, but I do not remember where.

Where do you think, as far as you can judge?—I think it was down in Worcestershire.

Where in Worcestershire?—Down at Mr. Berkley's house. At what time?—I think it was in 1849.

After you left Stoneyhurst?—Yes, just after I left.

Did you ever see that book before (book handed to witness—I have read the play before.

Where have you seen it?—I cannot say.

Where have you read it?—I don't know.

It is the *Castle of Andalusia*. Do you know who wrote the music?—No.

See if you ever took a part in that? (handing a book).—I don't think I ever took part in that piece.

Will you swear you never did?—I don't think I ever have.

Surely you can remember?—No doubt you have in the Carbineers?—I object to your stating what you believe are my impressions.

Did you act a part in the *Castle of Andalusia*?—No, I don't think I ever did.

Can you swear you never did?—I don't know.

Is it a thing you could have forgotten?—I don't remember taking a part in it.

Is it a thing you could have forgotten, if you ever did. Will you swear one way or the other?—I won't.

Are you confident you did not?—I don't think I did.

Did you ever hear of a farce of two acts, *No Dinner but Dinner*?—No.

Did you ever take part in it?—I have taken part in "No Dinner," often enough—(laughter.)

Now you have cut your joke will you answer the question?—I won't swear, but I think I did not.

You have given me Burton Constable and Mr. Berkley's house in Worcestershire. Have you seen private theatricals elsewhere?—I don't remember. I have seen them, but I can't say where. I can't look right through my life and tell.

Is there any other place?—I don't remember any other.

Did you see them at UPTON, or at school?—I don't remember.

Look at that. Is that a Stoneyhurst play-bill?—Yes.

Does it appear that the philosophers at Stoneyhurst played *The Castle of Andalusia*, a comic drama, by John O'Keefe, and that Roger Charles Tichborne played the part of Rappeno?—I have no recollection.

Do you know the character of Rappeno?—I cannot remember.

What does "A.M.D.G." mean?—I do not know.

Was it not put up in every public, and almost in every private, room in Stoneyhurst?—If you say it was.

You are a Stoneyhurst man, and I am not. Were not the letters placed in every book, and in almost every exercise done at Stoneyhurst?—I do not remember.

Have you the least idea what it means?—I never gave a thought of it.

Do you really mean that you have no idea of what it means, though you were a Stoneyhurst boy for three years?—It don't flash across my memory.

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Do you know that it is for *Ad majorem Dei Gloriam*?—No doubt it is.

What does that mean in English. You were a Stoneyhurst boy for three years?—The last two words are "God" and "glory."

What are the first two?—I don't know.

Look at the bottom of that (handing a paper)—what are the letters at the bottom?—L. D. S.

What does that mean? Is that right?—it looks very much like it.

What does that mean?—I do not know.

Are not those letters printed on almost all the matters printed at Stoneyhurst?—Not to the extent you try to represent.

Do you mean to say those letters are not very commonly printed at Stoneyhurst?—They may have been.

Were they not?—I do not doubt it.

What do they mean?—I forget it.

Did you ever know?—I have no doubt I should know.

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What is your recollection?—I have none.

Do you know what it means—*Laus Deo Semper*?

What does that mean?—It means the Laws of God for ever, or permanently.

What is in that envelope? Can you read it?—A piece of music. It is not in a very clear hand.

Can you still play on the horn?—A little. I can play on other instruments.

Can you play the piano?—Yes, from notes and ear.

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